

# The Brackett News-Mail

VOL. XXXVII.

BRACKETTVILLE, TEXAS, FRIDAY, AUGUST 10 1917

A. R. Boice  
2509 Princeton  
Midland, Texas 79701  
NO. 27

## Fort Clark Wins Ball Game.

Troop F, 14th Cavalry, came up from Eagle Pass Sunday and played a ball game with the Ambulance Companies at Fort Clark. The result was a win by the local team by a score of 11 to 5, the Ambulance team smashing the ball at needed times, assisted by errors of the visitors. In fact, the greater part of the runs were gained through errors, though hits were plentiful. Much wangling and dispute was occasioned between the umpire and players who objected to close decisions. But as the game stood, giving the visitors the benefit of every play contested, they would not have won the game, to which contest the Ambulance Company was clearly entitled.

Both sides were liberal with the use of pitchers, and the game was rather ragged, though at times it worked good on both sides.

After this game the Fort Clark team played a game with a team picked up of town boys by Mr. Stadler, and these turned what at first looked like a joke game into a real interesting affair, the better team work of the Post team keeping them from getting bested and the best they could get was a draw. For a team unknown together and not having played together for some time, their showing was good, and they have hopes of showing the Post team a good old game. John Connolly pitched a good game for the locals.

The Ambulance Company have a pretty good ball team and they seem to have an inexhaustible supply of pitching material.

## "Pearl of the Army."

The Star Theatre has secured another attraction for its show and they are sure it will please their patrons, as it is a serial which has been attracting much attention throughout the country, and has been pronounced as being a good and interesting one.

"Pearl of the Army," as this new serial is called, has been shown in many places and has been pronounced a success. The Star will begin episode Number One on Monday night, and continue the showing every Monday night thereafter. Pearl White, formerly a Universal Star, plays the stellar role, and the picture, which is of and deals with the active army of the U. S., is very interesting and exciting and has caused much comment.

Together with this picture the Star intends to show a Pathe Weekly, which makes the night program much more interesting and attractive.

## Pop Bottling Work.

A new business house will open up this week, a Pop Bottling works having been established and is now ready for business, the works having placed in the building back of Stratton & Company's Store, and J. L. Watkins will manage this new concern.

They have all modern equipment and will begin the making and sale of bottled soft drinks as soon as possible. Everything in the new work is kept in a sanitary manner, and they will add considerably to the business at present going on, and the volume of which is now constantly growing.

The addition of this new concern now gives the town two Bottling works, both of which, from present outlook and business, will be hard put to supply the demand for bottled soft drinks

just as the soda fountains are working hard to supply all their customers.

## City Meat Market Patrons.

To all of my friends and acquaintances who were my patrons while I conducted the City Meat Market, I wish to extend my sincere thanks for their favors and patronage; and now, that I have delivered same into the hands of Mr. Whit Ellis, I request that my former patrons will continue in dealing with and assist him in running a first class, clean meat market. Homer. B. Jones.

## Mexican Lose Ball Game.

The local Mexican ball team went to Del Rio Sunday to have a return ball game with the Del Rio Mexican team, and they came home with the small end of a 5 to 0 score. The game on the part of the local team was a listless, indifferent affair, these playing in a haphazard manner and seemingly cared not whether they made any runs or won the game. This game, likewise, was punctuated by numerous squabbles and grumbings over decisions, and could have been infinitely better yet in every way, as neither side exerted themselves very much in the game.

The Del Rio boys treated the locals good and showed them a pleasant time, winding up the day with a dance. All the boys report a good time, even with all the happenings.

## The Universal Program.

The Star Theater's program for next week will be one that is easily worth the seeing and one night's attendance calls for another. Don't miss this program.

Beginning Sunday the 12th, with an L-KO with Phil Dunham, Lucille Hutton and Metra Sterling in "Chicken Chased and Hen Pecked," Big U with Harry Carey, "The Mysterious Outlaw," and Universal Animated Weekly No. 275; Monday, episode One of "Pearl of the Army," Pathe Weekly, and a Comedy; Tuesday, 2 reel Bison with Eileen Sedgwick and Kingsley Benedict, "The Honor of Men," Nestor with Eddie Lyons, Lee Moran and Edith Roberts, "Jilted in Jail," and Universal Current Events No. 5; Wednesday, Ben Wilson, Neva Gerber and Douglas Gerrard in episode 15 of "The Voice of the Wire;" Thursday, 3 reel Gold Seal with Clair McDowell in "The Brand of Hate," Powers Cartoon Comedy, "A Pesky Pup," and Dorsey Educational, "China At Work and At Play;" Friday, 2 reel Rex with Ruth Stonehouse in "Helen Gravson's Strategy," Joker with William Franey and Gale Henry, "One Damp Day," and Screen Magazine No. 24; Saturday 5 reel Butterfly, with Eddie Polo and Mary McLaren, "Money Madness," a tale of today.

## Meat Market Changes Hand.

The City Market has changed hands, Homer Jones selling out all his interest in the business to Whit Ellis Edwards County, who will conduct same.

This Meat Market under Homer's care has and supplies a large number of local patrons, and has been run under very excellent business conditions. The new owner, Whit Ellis, is well known here and he is a good business man, and it is expected that he will continue handling the business in his usual fair and square dealing manner, and to the advantage concerned.

The change of owners came as a sort of surprise to our people, as practically no one had any intimation that such a change was being contemplated. As Mr. Ellis has not yet matured his plans, it is not definitely known whether will move his residence here or conduct the business through a manager or personally.

## Good Ranch For Sale.

Fine, small ranch for sale or trade, very reasonable. I have 1760 acres all in one body, all fenced-3 wire and cedar post. Fine water and thousand of gallons of it. One can lease 320 acres joining, right now. Ranch is 10 miles from good R. R. town; the County seat. Please don't offer anything that is encumbered.

Address B. Garrett, Olesia, Texas.

## Some Reasons Why YOU Should Keep A Bank Account.

A bank balance is a good thing to leave to those dependent upon you.

The mere fact of a person having a bank account, although small, creates within him a spirit of independence and moral strength obtainable in no other way.

## AND

the time will come when your bank account will take care of itself, and of you.

**IF YOU HAVE NO BANK ACCOUNT START ONE.**

## The First State Bank

(GUARANTY BOND.)  
CAPITAL \$30,000.00 SURPLUS \$20,000.00  
Brackettville, Texas.

## Notice.

We have all our lands "Posted" and any person trespassing thereon will be violating the law.

Lee Hughs and W. H. (Jumbo) Hughs.

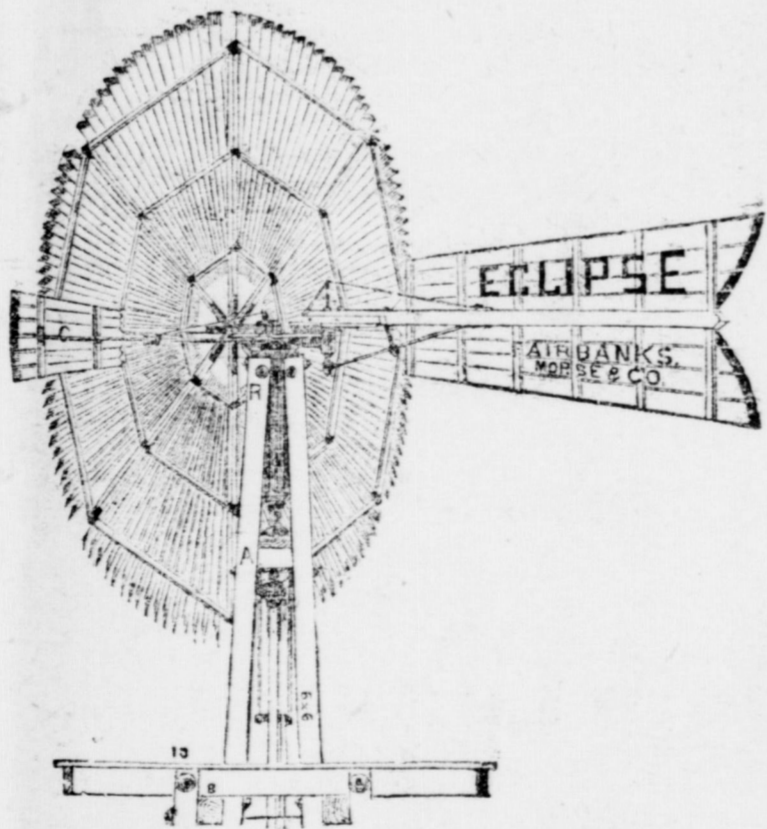
Typewriter ribbons for sale 75 cents; News Office.

The News-Mail office has an assortment of typewriting ribbons, and anyone wishing to buy a ribbon can secure it at this office. Seventy five cents Each.

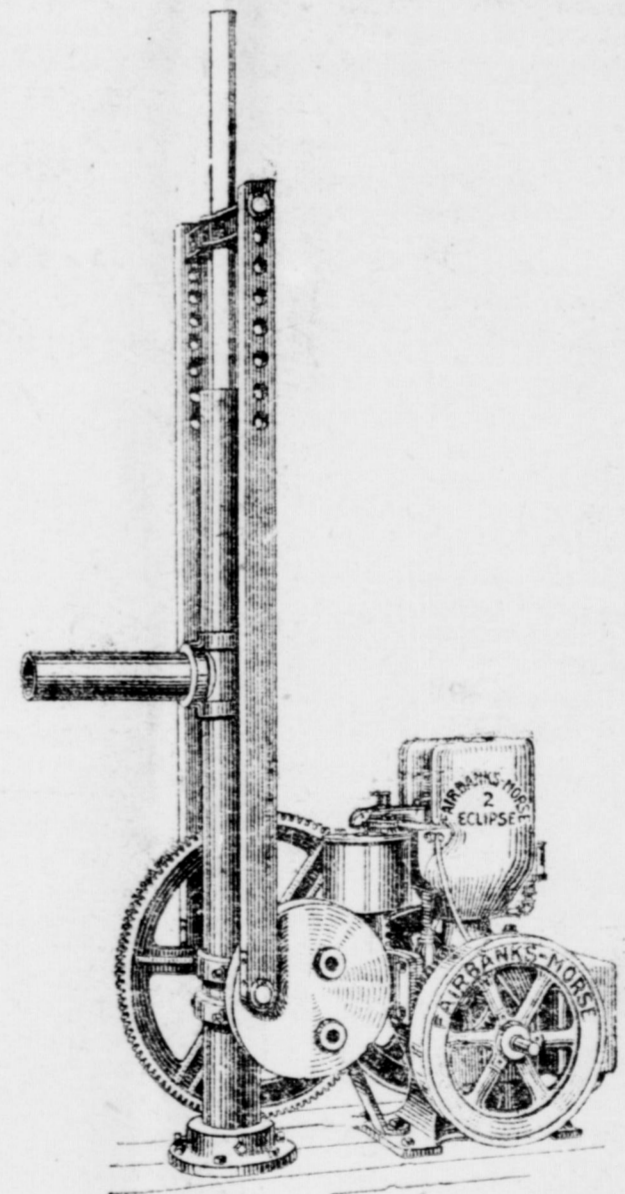
For a good smoke try a Henry George at F. H. Fritters.

## THE LEADING STORE IN TOWN GET YOUR MONEY'S FULL WORTH

by trading at OUR Store where you can get what YOU do want, as we have complete lines of goods at your service, Mr. Customer: trade with an old reliable firm like us and you will be treated fair and square:



Groceries, Lumber  
Clothing, Etc  
**Windmills**  
and  
**Gasoline Engines**



**Petersen & Company**  
BRACKETTVILLE, TEXAS

Dealers In

"A LITTLE OF EVERYTHING."

TELEPHONE 41

# The Brackett News-Mail

VOL. XXXVII.

BRACKETTVILLE, TEXAS, FRIDAY, AUGUST 10 1917

A. R. Brice  
2509 Princeton  
Midland, Texas 79701  
NO. 27

## Fort Clark Wins Ball Game.

Troop F, 14th Cavalry, came up from Eagle Pass Sunday and played a ball game with the Ambulance Companies at Fort Clark. The result was a win by the local team by a score of 11 to 5, the Ambulance team smashing the ball at needed times, assisted by errors of the visitors. In fact, the greater part of the runs were gained through errors, though hits were plentiful. Much wangling and dispute was occasioned between the umpire and players who objected to close decisions. But as the game stood, giving the visitors the benefit of every play contested, they would not have won the game, to which contest the Ambulance Company was clearly entitled.

Both sides were liberal with the use of pitchers, and the game was rather ragged, though at times it worked good on both sides.

After this game the Fort Clark team played a game with a team picked up of town boys by Mr. Stadler, and these turned what at first looked like a joke game into a real interesting affair, the better team work of the Post team keeping them from getting bested and the best they could get was a draw. For a team untried together and not having played together for some time, their showing was good, and they have hopes of showing the Post team a good old game. John Connolly pitched a good game for the locals.

The Ambulance Company have a pretty good ball team and they seem to have an inexhaustible supply of pitching material.

## "Pearl of the Army."

The Star Theatre has secured another attraction for its show and they are sure it will please their patrons, as it is a serial which has been attracting much attention throughout the country, and has been pronounced as being a good and interesting one.

"Pearl of the Army," as this new serial is called, has been shown in many places and has been pronounced a success. The Star will begin episode Number One on Monday night, and continue the showing every Monday night thereafter. Pearl White, formerly a Universal Star, plays in the stellar role, and the picture, which is of and deals with the active army of the U. S., is very interesting and exciting and has caused much comment.

Together with this picture the Star intends to show a Pathe Weekly, which makes the night program much more interesting and attractive.

## Pop Bottling Work.

A new business house will open up this week, a Pop Bottling works having been established and is now ready for business, the works having placed in the building back of Stratton & Company's Store, and J. L. Watkins will manage this new concern.

They have all modern equipment and will begin the making and sale of bottled soft drinks as soon as possible. Everything in the new work is kept in a sanitary manner, and they will add considerably to the business at present going on, and the volume of which is now constantly growing.

The addition of this new concern now gives the town two Bottling works, both of which, from present out look and business, will be hard put to supply the demand for bottled soft drinks

just as the soda fountains are working hard to supply all their customers.

## City Meat Market Patrons.

To all of my friends and acquaintances who were my patrons while I conducted the City Meat Market, I wish to extend my sincere thanks for their favors and patronage; and now, that I have delivered same into the hands of Mr. Whit Ellis, I request that my former patrons will continue in dealing with and assist him in running a first class, clean meat market. Homer. B. Jones.

## Mexican Lose Ball Game.

The local Mexican ball team went to Del Rio Sunday to have a return ball game with the Del Rio Mexican team, and they came home with the small end of a 5 to 0 score. The game on the part of the local team was a listless, indifferent affair, these playing in a haphazard manner and seemingly cared not whether they made any runs or won the game. The game, likewise, was punctuated by numerous squabbles and grumblings over decisions, and could have been infinitely better yet in every way, as neither side exerted themselves very much in the game.

The Del Rio boys treated the locals good and showed them a pleasant time, winding up the play with a dance. All the boys report a good time, even with all the happenings.

## The Universal Program.

The Star Theater's program for next week will be one that is easily worth the seeing and one night's attendance calls for another. Don't miss this program.

Beginning Sunday the 12th, with an L-KO with Phil Dunham, Lucille Hutton and Metra Sterling in "Chicken Chased and Hen Pecked," Big U with Harry Carey, "The Mysterious Outlaw," and Universal Animated Weekly No. 275; Monday, episode One of "Pearl of the Army," Pathe Weekly, and a Comedy; Tuesday, 2 reel Bison with Eileen Sedgwick and Kingsley Benedict, "The Honor of Men," Nestor with Eddie Lyons; Lee Moran and Edith Roberts, "Jilted in Jail," and Universal Current Events No. 5; Wednesday, Ben Wilson, Neva Gerber and Douglas Gerrard in episode 15 of "The Voice on the Wire;" Thursday, 3 reel Gold Seal with Clair McDowell in "The Brand of Hate," Powers Cartoon Comedy, "A Pesky Pup," and Dorsey Educational, "China At Work and At Play;" Friday, 2 reel Rex with Ruth Stonehouse in "Helen Gravson's Strategy," Joker with William Franey and Gale Henry, "One Damp Day," and Screen Magazine No. 24; Saturday 5 reel Butterfly, with Eddie Polo and Mary McLaren, "Money Madness," a tale of today.

## Meat Market Changes Hand.

The City Market has changed hands, Homer Jones selling out all his interest in the business to Whit Ellis Edwards County, who will conduct same.

This Meat Market under Homer's care has and supplies a large number of local patrons, and has been run under very excellent business conditions. The new owner, Whit Ellis, is well known here and he is a good business man, and it is expected that he will continue handling the business in his usual fair and square dealing manner, and to the advantage concerned.

The change of owners came as a sort of surprise to our people, as practically no one had any intimation that such a change was being contemplated. As Mr. Ellis has not yet matured his plans, it is not definitely known whether will move his residence here or conduct the business through a manager or personally.

## Good Ranch For Sale.

Fine, small ranch for sale or trade, very reasonable. I have 1760 acres all in one body, all fenced-3 wire and cedar post. Fine water and thousand of gallons of it. One can lease 320 acres joining, right now. Ranch is 10 miles from good R. R. town; the County seat. Please don't offer anything that is encumbered.

Address B. Garrett, Olesia, Texas.

## Some Reasons Why YOU Should Keep A Bank Account.

A bank balance is a good thing to leave to those dependent upon you.

The mere fact of a person having a bank account, although small, creates within him a spirit of independence and moral strength obtainable in no other way.

## AND

the time will come when your bank account will take care of itself, and of you.

IF YOU HAVE NO BANK ACCOUNT  
START ONE.

## The First State Bank

(GUARANTY BOND.)  
CAPITAL \$30,000.00 SURPLUS \$20,000.00  
Brackettville, Texas.

## Notice.

We have all our lands "Posted" and any person trespassing thereon will be violating the law.  
Lee Hughs and W. H. (Jumbo) Hughs.

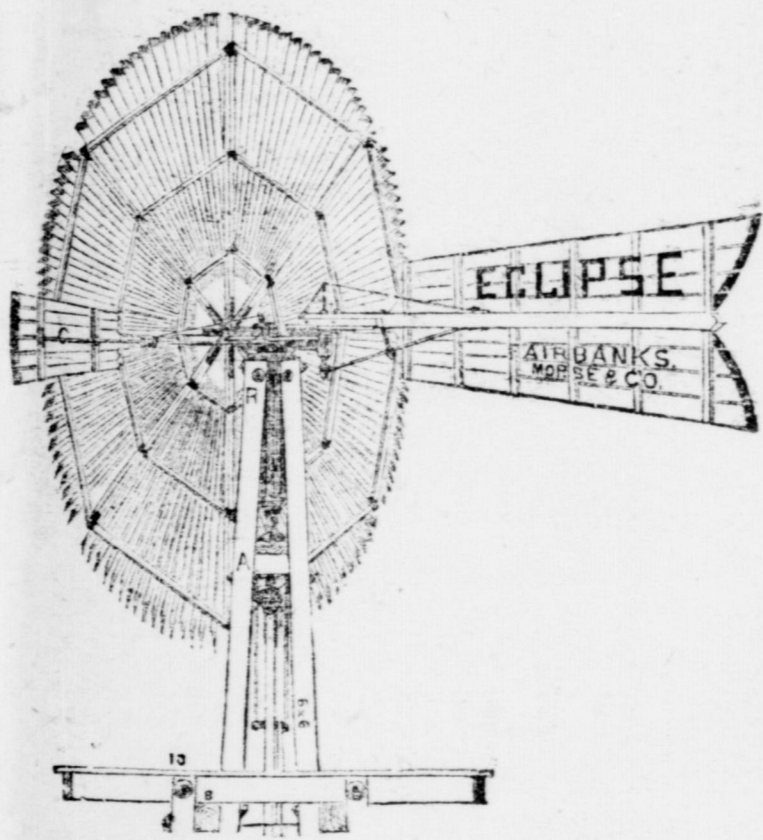
Typewriter ribbons for sale  
75 cents; News Office.

The News-Mail office has an assortment of typewriting ribbons, and anyone wishing to buy a ribbon can secure it at this office. Seventy five cents Each.

For a good smoke try a  
Henry George at F. H. Fritters.

## THE LEADING STORE IN TOWN GET YOUR MONEY'S FULL WORTH

by trading at OUR Store where you can get what YOU do want, as we have complete lines of goods at your service, Mr. Customer: trade with an old reliable firm like us and you will be treated fair and square:

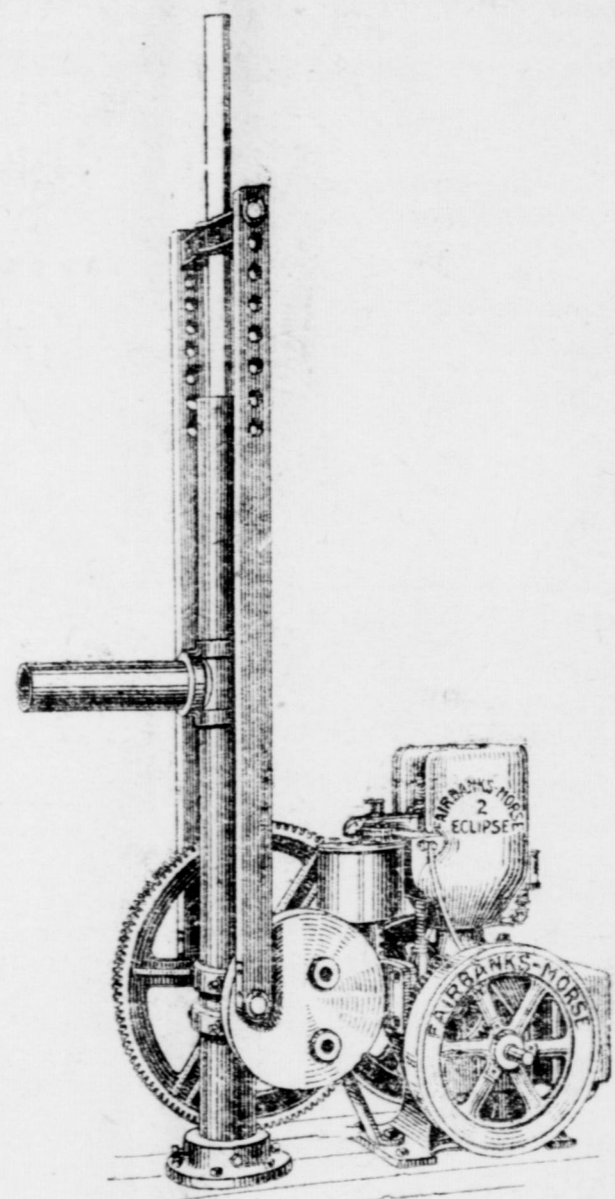


Groceries, Lumber  
Clothing, Etc

## Windmills

and

## Gasoline Engines



# Petersen & Company

BRACKETTVILLE, TEXAS

Dealers In

"A LITTLE OF EVERYTHING"

TELEPHONE 41

HEADACHES

This distressing ailment should be relieved at once and save strain on Nervous System. CAPUDINE gives quick relief. It's a liquid—Pleasant to take.—Adv.

An Enterprise Abandoned. "I thought you were determined to turn the swords into plowshares." "I reconsidered. A sword doesn't cut much of a figure in modern warfare, anyhow."

You never can know how superior to other preparations in promptness and efficiency is Dr. Peery's "Dead Shot" until you have tried it once. A single dose cleans out Worms or Tapeworm. Adv.

In the Rear. Stella—Was Jack wounded at the front, then? Maud—No; he came home on leave and sat on a wasp's nest.

Hot for Her. He—Will you share my lot? She—No; I do not care to break wild land.

Was Laid Up In Bed

Doan's, However, Restored Mrs. Vogt to Health and Strength. Her's Suffered Since.

"I had one of the worst cases of kidney complaint imaginable," says Mrs. Wm. Vogt, 6115 Audrey Ave., Wallston, Mo., "and I was laid up in bed for days at a time."

"My bladder was inflamed and the kidney secretions caused terrible pain. My back was in such bad shape that when I moved the pains were like a knife thrust. I got so dizzy I couldn't stoop and my head just throbbled with pain. Beads of perspiration would stand on my temples, then I would become cold and numb."

"My heart action was affected and I felt as if I couldn't take another breath. I got so nervous and run down, I felt life wasn't worth living and often wished that I might die so my suffering would be ended. Medicine failed to help me and I was discouraged."

"Doan's Kidney Pills were recommended to me and I could tell I was being helped after the first few doses. I kept getting better every day and continued use cured me. My health improved in every way and best of all, the cure has been permanent. I feel that Doan's saved my life before me."

HENRY B. SURKAMP, Notary Public. Get Doan's at Any Store, 60c a Box DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS FOSTER-MILBURN CO., BUFFALO, N. Y.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. Mothers Know That Genuine Castoria Always Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Hatcher. In Use For Over Thirty Years CASTORIA THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

Net Contents 15 Fluid Drachms 900 DROPS CASTORIA ALCOHOL-3 PER CENT. A Vegetable Preparation for Assuaging the Food by Regulating the Stomachs and Bowels of INFANTS & CHILDREN. Thereby Promoting Digestion, Cheerfulness and Rest. Contains neither Opium, Morphine nor Mineral. NOT NARCOTIC. A helpful Remedy for Constipation and Diarrhoea, and Feverishness and LOSS OF SLEEP resulting therefrom in Infancy. The Similar Signature of Dr. J. C. Hatcher. THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK. At 6 months old 35 Doses - 35 CENTS. Exact Copy of Wrapper.

We Can See Through This One. "Another victory for the allies," exclaimed the facetious old gentleman as his glasses dropped from his nose to the floor. "Lens has fallen."

Granulated Eyelids, Sties, Inflamed Eyes relieved over night by Roman Eye Balsam. One trial proves its merit. Adv.

Had Good Reason. Bystander—You have certainly shown great bravery in saving that man's life. Is he a relative of yours? Hero—Relative? Oh, no! But he owes me \$200.

WINTERSMITH'S CHILL TONIC Sold for 47 years. For Malaria, Chills and Fever. Also a Fine General Strengthening Tonic.

BLACK LEG CUTTER'S BLACKLETS PILLS Lower blood, break up clots, relieve pain, prevent recurrence. Write for booklet and testimonials. 10-dose pkg. Blacking Pills, \$1.00 50-dose pkg. Blacking Pills, \$4.00

MUL-EN-OL The Household Antiseptic USE IT For Cuts or Burns After Shaving As a Mouth Wash PARKER'S HAIR BALSAM A toilet preparation of merit. Stops or eradicates dandruff. For Restoring Color and Beauty to Gray or Faded Hair.

Texas Directory GENERAL HARDWARE AND SUPPLIES Contractors Supplies, Builders Hardware, Etc. Prices and Information furnished on request. PEDEN IRON & STEEL CO. HOUSTON SAN ANTONIO McCANE'S DETECTIVE AGENCY HOUSTON, TEXAS Expert Civil and Criminal Investigators. MALE AND FEMALE OPERATIVES. W. N. U., HOUSTON, NO. 32-1917.

Some girls who profess to be highly educated have been merely immersed in a weak solution of accomplishments.

Disagreeable and Dangerous Trouble is diarrhea, but a speedy and certain cure is found in Mississippi Diarrhoea Cordial. Price 25c and 50c.—Adv.

Explosion Averted. "I hear you have been a very sick man," said the manager of the garage. "Yas sur," replied Mr. Erastus Pinkley. "Dey mos' despaired of my recovery. But I never had no doubt about it myself. I jes' had to get well."

"Well, suh, I knowed I wasn't good enough to go to heaven. An' workin' in dis garage has got me soaked so chock-full o' gasoline dar wasn't a chance of deir wantin' me aroun' de other place."

Hated to Play With Him. At the club Thompson and Taylor were discussing the peculiarities of certain of the card players when Thompson said: "There are two men here—Parker and Perkins—I surely hate to play with."

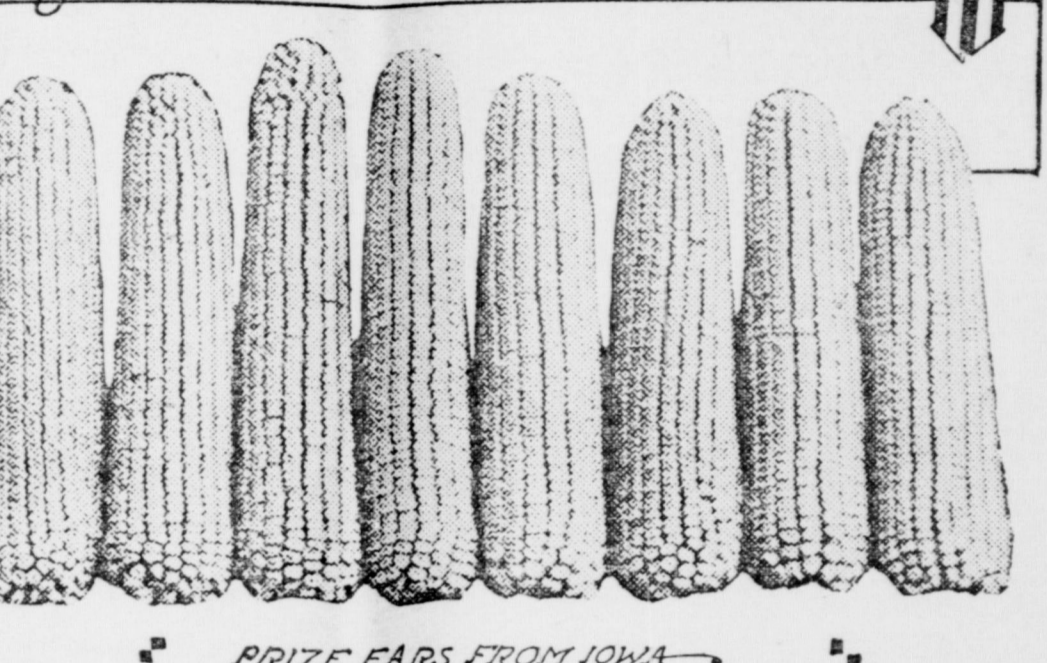
Making 'Em Bite. A street car passenger stooped to pick up something from the floor. "Who has lost a dime?" he asked. At once half a dozen passengers began fumbling in their pockets, until one of them held out his hand and declared that he had dropped the coin. "Does it bear the date—1890?" inquired the finder. "Yes, certainly."

FOR MALARIA Chills and Fever, Biliousness, Constipation and ailments requiring a TONIC treatment. OXIDINE GUARANTEED and made by Behrens Drug Co. Waco, Tex. Sold by All Druggists 50c



CORN EARLY IN JULY Farmers of our vast central section not only are giving their sons bumper crops to help win the war against autocracy

Middle West in Great Food Drive By Robert H. Moulton



EVENTS of a revolutionary character have taken place on the middle Western farms since America's entry into the war. When President Wilson issued his call to the American farmer to do his duty in war times by feeding the world, or that portion of it engaged in the war for democracy, he launched the biggest drive for increased food production in the history of the world. In fact, no step toward preparedness in connection with the participation of the United States in the war has proceeded more rapidly than the mobilization of the farm resources of the middle West, which just now is preparing itself for the task of feeding not only the United States, but a large part of the world.

Despite the fact that the call to the fields came too late to affect the winter wheat crop, the middle Western farmer has made tremendous advances in increasing the acreage of his other food crops, such as corn, oats, rye and other farm products. Present indications are that the wheat crop will not be large enough to much more than meet the needs of America, let alone the exportation of large quantities of this product which must be made to the allies, but famine is still a distant specter. For the first time in its history the world is going to learn a valuable lesson in domestic economy, and that is the adaptation of other farm products for food purposes. One of the first results will be a world-wide campaign to dethrone King Wheat and enthrone King Corn, whose monarchy heretofore has scarcely extended beyond the boundaries of the United States.

The bumper corn crop which the middle West will raise this summer, barring such unforeseen calamities as drought and frost, will save off hunger for a large portion of the world. Present indications are that the corn acreage in the 12 great corn states of the country will be increased from 20 to 30 per cent, or even more in some localities, due to the fact that thousands of acres of winter wheat lands were made useless for that purpose by the severe cold weather, which killed the wheat. An increase of 20 per cent in the acreage planted in corn will add approximately 500,000,000 bushels of corn to the nation's crop. A large portion of this increased yield will go to European allies of the United States and to neutral nations. It is probable that Uncle Sam will have to send some of his experts in domestic science abroad to instruct the European in the value and methods of preparing corn as a food product.

The nation's corn crop has averaged 3,000,000,000 bushels in the last few years, a no inconsiderable mark in itself, but reports collected by agricultural experts from the middle West indicate that the 1917 crop will approximate 3,500,000,000 bushels. The banner corn states of the nation are prepared to do their share in the drive for increased food production. Conservative estimates of what some of the leading states in the corn-belt region will do this year are: Illinois, 400,000,000 bushels; Iowa, 325,000,000 to 350,000,000 bushels; Nebraska, 250,000,000 bushels; Missouri, 225,000,000 bushels; Indiana, 200,000,000 bushels, and Texas, 200,000,000 bushels. Such middle Western states as Minnesota, South Dakota, North Dakota, Wisconsin and Michigan will have greatly increased acreages of corn this season, due to several reasons. In the Western group of states which lie in the heart of the wheat belt thousands of acres of winter wheat were killed during the winter. Despite the fact that the spring wheat acreage planted this year is unusually larger, there still remained many thousands of acres of land which could be used for no other purpose than for corn or oats, two of the leaders in the great trio of farm crops.

The harvest this summer is likely to see a record-breaking crop of oats, approximating 2,000,000,000 bushels. Tremendous increases will also be made in the rye, kaffir corn sorghum and forage crops, all of which are important factors in supplying the tables of the world with important food products. It is this latter activity in planting greatly increased acreages of the minor crops that is expected to bring on a small revolution in farming circles. Instead of depending upon one, two or three of the big trio of crops, the farmer is devoting his energy to the growing of other crops which supplement the food products gained from wheat, corn and oats. This is the case of a failure of any of the important crops, America will have plenty of substitutes to fall back upon. Already food chemists and experts in almost all of the middle Western states are busily engaged in finding new flour substitutes. Discoveries made in a number of laboratories indicate that America's bread will be baked with the aid of more varieties of flour than ever before. Kaffir corn and feterita have been found to make acceptable flour, and the use of cottonseed meal in the preparation of breadstuffs is gaining widespread popularity. Chemists are engaged on other still hunts for new food substitutes, and by the end of the year America will be eating scores of new foods and combinations of foodstuffs which have been wasted heretofore or fed to live stock.

Emergency food commissions established in all of the states are conducting an aggressive cam-

aign to enlist the support of all farmers in the work of growing greatly increased crops. "Keep every acre working this summer" is a campaign slogan which is heard in all of the great farming states. The result will be that in the fall the farmers will harvest peanut, bean, buckwheat, potato and other "catch crops," a departure in the history of agriculture. According to present indications, the potato crop will be nearly 200,000,000 bushels larger than ever before, while prodigious quantities of peanuts and beans will be available for food products in the fall and during 1918.

The mobilization of the farms for war service has been conducted along many lines of service. Close co-ordination between all branches of the industry has given tremendous impetus to the campaign to increase the nation's food supply. Travelers who pass through the middle West this year will see scenes along railroad property comparable to those in Europe, where the farmers have been cultivating such idle ground for years. In some states, notably Iowa and Kansas, well-defined steps have been taken to encourage the planting of certain useful crops along the roadsides. Iowa has more than 200,000 acres of unused land along its public highways which could be drafted for this purpose, while Kansas has more than 150,000 acres, according to a recent survey.

It is safe to say that virtually every acre of

The Eskimo Tells the World Why He Asks to be Left Alone

"Why are you trying to educate the Eskimos? Why don't you let them alone? They were happy and were able to exist before you began to change their mode of life."

These are the questions that are asked and answered in The Eskimo, a monthly magazine published at Nome, Alaska, in the interests of Eskimos of the northwest district of Alaska. Walter C. Shields, superintendent of the work of the bureau of education, department of the interior, in northwestern Alaska, who writes the leading article in this new magazine of the North, says: "The people who ask these questions, if they are really sincere enough to warrant any consideration, can be divided into two classes. First, those who display their scientific knowledge by quoting the law of the survival of the fittest; with the assumption that the Eskimo is not fit to survive. The second class claim a peculiar insight into the frame of mind of the ancient Eskimo, who, they assert, was an especially contented individual, and furthermore they insist that the Eskimo of today is not contented."

Eskimo Fit and Able. "This set of critics insists on taking the position, indefensible in this day and generation, that education is a bad thing for a people. The claim of our service is that the Eskimo by reason of his inherent qualities and because of his geographical position is fit and able to survive, and we claim that by our system of education for him we are making him not only more fit to survive, but that he will be a vital factor in the development of northern Alaska."

"The Eskimo is not dependent. On the contrary, he is, even in the present condition, a real and vital factor in the wealth of the country. He has never received a ration from the government; he can support himself, not always according to our standards, it is true, but it is better for him to eat strict native food than for him to learn to expect the government to support him. The wall so often heard from ignorant but presumably charitable people, 'Why don't you give the poor people some food?' if heeded would make paupers of a self-supporting and noble race. We are proud of the fact that we have not fed the Eskimo. We are proud of him as a man because he feeds himself."

"One reason why primitive races have so often been pushed to the wall by the white race has been that the white race has coveted and needed the land. As far as we can see, for years to come the white man will not make any attempt to push the Eskimo off his part of the map. While there will undoubtedly be developments in mining, yet for a long time to come the Eskimo will have plenty of room in northern Alaska. Therefore, even if this northern part of Alaska, through some unexpected development, should become desirable for a large population, we believe that, with what development the Eskimo has already received and the additional development that even five years more of undisturbed possession of his northern fastnesses will give him, he will be well fitted to meet advanced economic conditions."

"The keynote of our school system for the Eskimo is its direct relation to the village life. Thus the school republic becomes the village council, the school garden soon becomes the village garden, the cooking class becomes the bread-baking class for the village, the clean-up of the school grounds becomes the village clean-up, the bench work for the boys' class becomes the boat and sled building center for the village. And, most striking of all, the schoolboy who is sent to the reindeer herd as an apprentice in four years becomes the trained

land which can be handled conveniently during the summer months has been placed under cultivation in Iowa and the surrounding states. The labor shortage is so serious that thousands of farmers have been greatly handicapped in putting out increased acreage because of the fear that they would be unable to harvest the crops unaided. It is estimated that the middle West will require an army of 500,000 farm laborers this summer if the food crop is to be saved in its entirety. Farm laborers can command almost any price for their services, but despite alluring offers they are hard to get. Canada is paying as high as \$75 a month for laborers, and in some cases is promising them free homesteads. In the Northern states farm lands can command wages ranging from \$45 to \$60 a month and board. A few years ago the farm land which could get \$25 or \$30 for his services was considered a genius. The patriotic service the farmers are doing this year and which they will be called upon to do next year on a much larger scale will add millions, if not billions, of dollars to the wealth of the country. Mobilization of the farm resources has been one of the most stupendous undertakings ever attempted by the government; but it has succeeded admirably well for 1917, despite the late start. By 1918 every available resource of the middle West will be thrown into the production of vastly increased yields of all farm crops.

REMINISCENCE OF POE.

The painter, William Sartain, contributed some recollection of Edgar Allan Poe to the Art World: "His biographer, Griswold, has slandered him as intemperate. My father said this was not true, and he was most temperate in drinking. It is a considerable confirmation of this that Poe was a model of punctuality in his reviewing and other work for the magazines during all the ensuing 15 years of his life, which comprises his literary career. In 1837 he moved to New York and after a year to Philadelphia, where he wrote some of his finest stories. For much of his literary career he was half starving. His labor over his writings is shown, no doubt, with some exaggeration, however, in his article 'The Philosophy of Composition,' written shortly after the publication of 'The Raven.' In this essay he enumerates some of his articles of faith, such as: Beauty is the legitimate province of the poem; it is a pure and intense elevation of the soul, not of the intellect nor the heart. "But except for these intermittent indulgences, his addiction to stimulants must have been grossly exaggerated by his biographer Griswold, whom my father has said he had personally seen on quite bad terms with Poe. My father's acquaintance with him was the more close in the latter years of his life and, as his statements were most positive, these derogatory stories must have taken with a grain of salt. The account I have given of Poe's death after having been robbed of his clothes seems to me to be so reasonable—and, moreover, based on my father's contemporary information—that I cannot accept the story of his having been lured into the hands of an electioneering gang and drugged, so as to be utilized for depositing ballots in numerous polling places."

MISUNDERSTANDING.

"What did the kaiser mean by his promise to his brother-in-law when he knew he couldn't keep it?" "He wrote and sent him a letter, didn't he?" "Yes." "Well, that is what he meant by his mailed fist."

# MARRYING AGAINST WISHES OF FAMILY

By LAURA JEAN LIBBEY.

An old farmhouse with meadows wide, Sweet with clover on either side; A bright-eyed youth, who looks from out The door with woodbine wreathed without.

Wished this one thought all the day: "Oh, if I could but fly away From this dull spot the world to see, How happy I would be."

What youth of one and twenty and maid of sweet sixteen if they happened to become enamored of one another would not tell you that there is just one person in the world for them, and each has met that one? It is all in vain for relatives or friends to attempt to dissuade them from their feeling. The young man declares he will leave home and all belonging to him and go into the world to earn fame and fortune for the girl he has chosen. The maid declares that if she cannot wed the hero of her heart she will never marry. Though her lips may not complain her sad eyes will be a reproach to those who have separated her from her love for all time to come.

How the parents are to deal with such a determined young couple is a problem. The youth's parents know that it is his nature to fall quickly in love, and as quickly climb out of it. The girl's parents realize that the kind of man who fills her fancy at sixteen she would possibly be heartily tired of at two and twenty.

They met at a ball. The girl in her tulle party dress, white gloves, white

slippers and pink roses, looked very alluring. He has taken her home from dances, perhaps a half-dozen times and at the end of that time proposed marriage. Neither had peeped beyond the first chapter of the book of life. Their entire conversation had been about other girls and boys—what a jolly good time they had had at the skating rink or barn dance. Yet these two kiddings considered themselves in love and had the notion that they ought to wed.

The boy's father does his best to have a serious talk with his son, endeavoring to make him understand that married life is something more than continuous love-making; that it entails obligations, such as winning the support of two, to start with; that a pretty sweetheart transferred to the kitchenette is not always the amiable companion a youth fondly believes she would be.

The girl's parents do their best to make her understand that a young man should have at least a start in life before he essays matrimony; that all love-making, no work, would put out the kitchen fire. If, despite earnest parental advice on both sides, the young people take their own heads and marry, they have only themselves to blame for much of the tribulations that may follow. Parents on both sides should be eager for the match, then it will turn out happily.

(Copyright, 1917.)

## PLAYERS "WITH A PAST" ARE POPULAR THIS YEAR

Return to Big Leagues of Bobby Wallace, Veteran of Veterans, Shows Trend of the Times.

Major league magnates and managers are showing a strong preference this year for ball players "with a past."

In ordinary times the big league pilots pay little attention to pill tossers who have seesawed back and forth from the minors to the big show. They usually break their necks bidding for the "phenoms" who spring up in the tall and uncut sticks, and they have paid some fabulous prices for this class of players.

But 1917 is no ordinary year. The majors have been slow to sign youngsters and seemingly eager to jump at the chance of getting players who have had big league experience, but who, because of age or some minor defects, have failed to stick on big time.

The recent signing of Bobby Wallace by the Cardinals is a most vivid example of this tendency. Bobby Wallace, the veteran of veterans; a player whose name appeared in the box



Bobby Wallace.

scores before Lajoie broke into the limelight, is back again in the role of utility infielder with the Cards.

His comeback marks him as a 15-year absence from the National League, for he jumped from the Cardinals back in 1902 to cast his fortunes with the Browns, who were making their first start in St. Louis. His long years of service with the Browns and his ultimate release is remembered by all fans today. It seemed only natural that Wallace should step down and out, and when he was made a member of the Wichita (Western League) club the majors bid him good-by for all time.

But Wallace is back, and the owners of the Cardinals figure that he is a valuable asset, in which they are more than likely to be upheld by his work whenever the occasion arises to use him in the lineup.

The return of the veteran Wallace recalls the fact that 1917 has seen a number of players in the veteran class return to the big tent while hundreds of youngsters are pining their young lives away in the bush leagues for a chance. Ping Bodie, purchased last winter from the San Francisco club by Connie Mack, has made good with a vim since his return. Harry Walter and Charley Deal, brought back from the minor leagues by the Cubs, and Jim Thorpe, recalled by the Giants, and later sold to the Reds, are other examples.

## Mother's Cook Book

The woman of moderate means, who markets in person, with a basket on her arm, often gets better goods for less money than her wealthy sister, who trusts to servants or the telephone and takes what the market merchant chooses to send her, in blissful ignorance of food values or food quality.

**Some Cornmeal Dishes.**  
The rainy consistency of cornmeal is an advantage when used in griddle cakes or waffles, for it renders them very tender.

**Cornmeal Pancakes.**  
Take two cupfuls of flour sifted with a teaspoonful and a half of baking powder, with the same amount of salt. Add a cupful and a half of boiling water to a half-cupful of cornmeal, cook five minutes, turn into a bowl and add one and a fourth cupfuls of milk, one beaten egg, a third of a cupful of sugar and the flour mixture. Stir well, then add two tablespoonfuls of melted shortening. Cook on a greased griddle.

Mush that has been molded makes a delicious breakfast dish, by frying the slices in a little hot fat.

**Cornmeal and Wheat Waffles.**  
Cook a half cupful of cornmeal, added very gradually to a cupful and a half of boiling water, for 20 minutes, then add a cupful and a half of milk, three cupfuls of flour, three tablespoonfuls of sugar, 1 1/2 teaspoonfuls of baking powder, 1 1/2 teaspoonfuls of salt, the yolks and whites of two eggs beaten separately. When all is well mixed, add two tablespoonfuls of melt-

## Less Unemployment Likely In America in Near Future As Result of the Great War

At present, and in all probability in the near future, according to a report of a medical committee on social insurances reported in the American Medical Journal, this country will have less and less unemployment, and there is no question that with the war and with the destruction of life and peoples in Europe, in the very countries from which, in recent years, this country has drawn its vigorous unskilled labor, the immigration which has come to these shores so abundantly will enormously diminish, and there will be a dearth of labor and a rise in wages.

At present, however, there is no question that even in good times the wage earners of this country are unemployed for from one-fifth to one-fourth—20 to 25 per cent—of the working days of the year. Those who are dependent on their daily wages have thus to consider a further diminution of what is apparently their actual wage. All investigations on the amount of wages have shown that about four-fifths of the men and nineteen-twentieths of the women earn less than \$600 a year to support their families, and this amount of wage is not able, even in this country, to support those families on a fair standard of living. This is one cause of the enormous mass of woman and child labor.

## Serenity in Thick of Broil.

The environment of the commander in chief, Sir Douglas Haig, is strongly suggestive of his conduct of the war. Before war became a thing of precise science the headquarters of an army head seated with all the picturesque details so common to pictures of martial life. Couriers mounted on foaming-flecked horses dashed to and fro; the air was vibrant with action; the fate of battle showed on the face of the humblest orderly. But today things are totally different. Although army

ed shortening, just before adding the stiffly beaten whites.

**Indian Pudding.**  
Cook five cupfuls of milk and a third of a cupful of cornmeal in a double boiler, a half cupful of molasses, a teaspoonful each of salt and ginger. Mix all together and pour into a buttered baking dish and bake two hours in a slow oven; serve with cream.

**Cornmeal Doughnuts.**  
Put three-fourths of a cupful of milk and 1 1/2 cupfuls of cornmeal into a double boiler and heat together ten minutes. Add three-fourths of a cupful of sugar and a fourth of a cupful of shortening. Sift together 1 1/4 cupfuls of wheat flour with a teaspoonful of cinnamon and two teaspoonfuls of baking powder, add these and two well-beaten eggs to the meal. Roll out on a well-floured board, cut and fry in hot deep fat.

*Nellie Maxwell*

## EPIGRYMHES:

I'd like to be as FORTUNATE as lots of MEN I know who rouse an agitation in all hearts wherever they go. Now take YOUR old friends TYRUS COBB; he leads the COUNTRY, fun, in clever execution of the tricks Hugh Jennings plans. And then, in little, old New York, LIVES "Mugsy," John McGraw, and many other notables who follow "fame" quite raw BECAUSE it's served to them so fast there is no time to cook the adulation that they get each blessed way they look. You've got to hand it to these chaps; they've earned all they have won, and it's worth while to rouse the shout: "Ges! Attaboy! Well done!" But, humbly, may I ask of YOU to ponder Garfield's thought: Behold our land, in twenty years, and see the men who fought in this, we pray, the final war for everlasting peace, and hear all nations' cry of thanks which nevermore shall cease! And then imagine, if you can, that reverence multiplied ten thousand times ten thousand, for the Fighting Men—who DIED!

Robert Russell.  
"Fortunate men your country lives because you died."  
(Copyright, 1917, by Int'l Press Bureau.)

## Brother Needed Attention.

Governor and Mrs. Stanley of Kentucky have an interesting young family. They are also regular Sunday school attendants. The youngest member of the house of Stanley has been very much indulged, but lately the wise mother has taught him that he must not ask God for such things as he covered. The small heir ceased praying after that for a speckled pony and dog-cart.—Harper's Magazine.

One night not long since the governor and his lady were entertaining guests in the executive mansion when the elder boy called his mother to the foot of the stairs. The visitors were amused to hear the lad saying, in a stage whisper:

"Mother, I wish you'd come up here to brother—he's worrying the Lord again about that speckled pony and dog-cart."

## Flashlights.

About all that jealousy asks to make trouble is a chance. Fair as women are, even they are no excuse for the so-called ladies' man.

No matter how much a man may neglect his wife it always makes him mad to discover that some other man is slightly interested in her.

This world may owe you a living, but if you don't care enough for it to hustle round and collect it, the world isn't going to do any worrying.

Luck doesn't play nearly so big a part in the other fellow's success as you imagine.

## Grenades of Many Types.

The grenade has become one of the leading weapons of the European war. Each belligerent uses several, types, Austria as many as six. Grenades are thrown by hand by means of a special "racket," by catapults, shot from guns and from trench mortars. Hand grenades have a range of some twenty-five or thirty yards. The grenades fired from mortars may range up to five hundred yards. The most powerful grenade is a Danish invention. It is shot from a mortar, weighs about three pounds, and in addition scattering the fragments of its case on explosion, it carries some 250 bullets.

IMITATION IS SINCEREST FLATTERY but like counterfeit money the imitation has not the worth of the original. Insist on "La Creole" Hair Dressing—it's the original. Darkens your hair in the natural way, but contains no dye. Price \$1.00.—Adv.

**Hose-Anna and Such Tunes.**  
She—Do you play on the piano?  
He—Occasionally. I am a fireman.  
—Boston Evening Transcript.

## CARE FOR YOUR SKIN

And Keep It Clear by Daily Use of Cuticura—Trial Free.

A hot bath with Cuticura Soap followed by a gentle anointing with Cuticura Ointment clears the skin or scalp in most cases of eczemas, rashes and itching of children and adults. Make Cuticura your every-day toilet preparations and prevent such troubles.

Free sample each by mail with Book. Address postcard, Cuticura, Dept. L, Boston. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

## Truthful for Once.

"Did you ever know an amateur angler to tell the truth?"  
"Oh, yes; I heard one tell another that he was a liar."

## A HINT TO WISE WOMEN.

Don't suffer torture when all female troubles will vanish in this air after using "Femenina." Price 50c and \$1.00.—Adv.

Used to Them.  
Mrs. Jones—The paper says that the charges of company A were terrific.

Mr. Jones—I'm not surprised at that; Captain Zink is a dentist.—Judge.

Principles cannot die.

# CALOMEL SICKENS! IT SALIVATES! DON'T STAY BILIOUS, CONSTIPATED

I Guarantee "Dodson's Liver Tone" Will Give You the Best Liver and Bowel Cleansing You Ever Had—Don't Lose a Day's Work!

Calomel makes you sick; you lose a day's work. Calomel is quicksilver and it salivates; calomel injures your liver.

If you are bilious, feel lazy, sluggish and all knocked out, if your bowels are constipated and your head aches or stomach is sour, just take a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone instead of using sickening, salivating calomel. Dodson's Liver Tone is real liver medicine. You'll know it next morning because you will wake up feeling fine, your liver will be working, your headache and dizziness gone, your stomach will be sweet and your bowels regular. You will feel like working. You'll be cheerful; full of vigor and ambition.

Your druggist or dealer sells you a 50-cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone

under my personal guarantee that it will clean your sluggish liver better than nasty calomel; it won't make you sick and you can eat anything you want without being salivated. Your druggist guarantees that each spoonful will start your liver, clean your bowels and straighten you up by morning or you can have your money back. Children gladly take Dodson's Liver Tone because it is pleasant tasting and doesn't gripe or cramp or make them sick.

I am selling millions of bottles of Dodson's Liver Tone to people who have found that this pleasant, vegetable, liver medicine takes the place of dangerous calomel. Buy one bottle on my sound, reliable guarantee. Ask your druggist or storekeeper about me. Adv.

## SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

GEORGETOWN, TEXAS

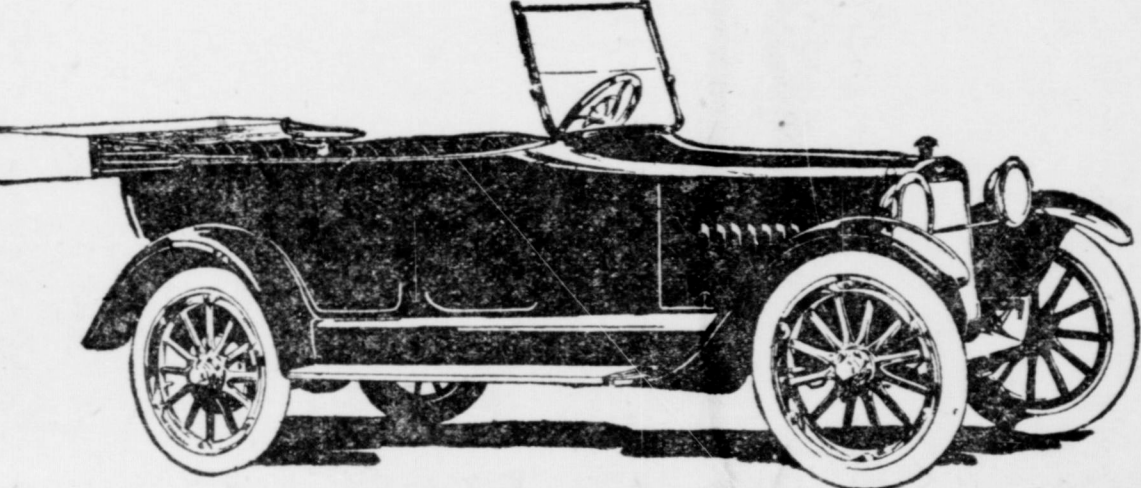
When considering the sending of a son or daughter to college, not only must it be considered to whom and to what he or she is to be sent, but also WHERE. Georgetown is thirty miles from Austin, with 14 trains daily. It is eminently a school town, free from saloons and other sources of vice. With its cultured citizenship it is conservatively progressive in atmosphere. It is clean in appearance, with its beautiful homes, its cement sidewalks, its avenues of trees. Through it flows the historic and picturesque San Gabriel River. The scenery is itself cultural.

The climate is ideal, mild, bracing, healthful. The surrounding country is as rich, as prosperous as there is in Texas. Let the student live in a place conducive to high thinking.

For catalog address Registrar, Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas

# SAXON "SIX"

A BIG TOURING CAR FOR FIVE PEOPLE



## 25.9 Miles Per Gal. of Gas

234 stock model Saxon "Sixes" travel 70,200 miles July 18 and set grand average of 25.9 miles per gal. of gas

To give a national demonstration of the remarkable gasoline economy of Saxon "Six", 234 Saxon dealers joined in a 300 mile drive July 18.

A grand average of 25.9 miles per gallon of gasoline was registered for the 70,200 miles of travel.

Consider that this run took place in 234 different parts of the country, under 234 different sets of conditions, over 234 different kinds of roads.

Consider that these 234 cars were stock model Saxon "Sixes", not "tuned up" special cars, not cars with "doped" gasoline.

That proves that this 25.9 miles per gallon of gasoline is the ordinary, the average performance of 234 Saxon "Sixes" taken right out of stock.

And it proves as nothing else would prove, the gasoline economy your Saxon "Six" will give you. No other car in its class can match this record.

Furthermore, these 234 Saxon "Sixes" averaged 175 miles per quart of oil.

And not a single instance of mechanical trouble occurred throughout the entire 70,200 miles.

There is the proof that Saxon "Six" is your kind of a car. Price f. o. b. Detroit, \$935.

Saxon Motor Car Corporation, Detroit

## Longevity.

Mr. Pippel—This is a very healthy town.

Mr. Ripple—I must say this town holds the record for health.

Mr. Pippel—My father died here at eighty-four, and my grandfather died at one hundred and forty.

Mr. Ripple—One hundred and forty? Mr. Pippel—Broad street.

## To Drive Out Malaria

And Build Up The System Take the Old Standard GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. You know what you are taking, as the formula is printed on every label, showing it is Quinine and Iron in a tasteless form. The Quinine drives out malaria, the Iron builds up the system. 60 cents.

Spotted. Naval Recruit—Ship ahey! Officer of the Deck—Where away? Naval Recruit—Far away.

Faith is not very plentiful, but the supply equals the demand.

## Registered a Kick.

"What's the matter with your wrist watch?"

"One of the cows kicked it in the face."

"What for?"

"Well, you see, I was milking her, and the tick annoyed her, so the poor thing wouldn't stand for it."—Yonkers Statesman.

## ON FIRST SYMPTOMS

use "Renovine" and be cured. Do not wait until the heart organ is beyond repair. "Renovine" is the heart and nerve tonic. Price 50c and \$1.00.—Adv.

The Bride and the Cynic. "Yes," said the bride of a week.

"Jack tells me everything he knows, and I tell him everything I know."

"Indeed!" rejoined her ex-rival, who had been left at the post. "The silence when you are together must be oppressive."

The elevator in a department store is merely a shoplifter.

## Speaking of Vegetables.

A young married lady was explaining the difference between silver and electro to a small domestic, and said:

"Mary, you will always find a 'boy' on anything that is real silver."

"Yes, mumm," said Mary. "I'll remember, and I've heard say as there is always carrots on gold, though I ain't seen them."

## His Chief Worry.

War Gardener—By the way, how did you fellows get in the house?

Burglar—We came through the back window!

War Gardener (excitedly)—Great Scott! I hope you didn't step on my potato patch!

## When Your Eyes Need Care

Try Murine Eye Remedy

No Smarting—Just Pure Comfort. 25 cents at Druggists or mail. Write for Free Eye Book. MURINE EYE REMEDY CO., CHICAGO

# The News-Mail

Entered as second-class matter November 23, 1906, at the Post Office at Brackettville, Texas, under the Act of Congress, March 3, 1879.

PUBLISHED EVERY FRIDAY

WILL W. PRICE, Proprietor

SUBSCRIPTION, \$2.00 PER YEAR

The deep rooted belief in the ability of their leader to guide them from out the wilderness of war they have been brought into cannot be torn from the minds of the German people in a day. But they have minds that are capable of reasoning, and their thoughts are human. We are all prone to grumble or complain when after striving and exerting and straving one finds there is no end in sight, either of victory or a drawn peace. Their confidence is waning, but the time for the overthrow has not come yet.

Red Tape which caused such a great inconvenience in the Government's search for Villa, is now causing anxiety in France as to the ill effect it will have. It ought to be like the English Colonel who asked for supplies, received a number of red tape forms to make out and send in, and reasons why he asked for goods, and who wrote on each one: "Because there is a war over here." He got his goods.

The British are now engaged in a big effort to push the Germans back from Belgian Flanders and thus destroy the base of the U-Boat. If they succeed and these nests are put out of commission, then Germany will be practically out of commission. Germany knows it and they are putting a great fight.

There ought to be another general yard cleanup in town, and the sooner the better. Cleanliness always makes a town or a home attractive, and for the that reason as well as for the greater one of health, the cleanup should be advocated and quickly accomplished.

The terrific heat which has been causing so many deaths in the Eastern and Northern states has put an echo in Texas. While it is pretty warm here in the day time, it is refreshingly cool at night, and no deaths due to extreme heat have occurred in this section.

Governor Jim has been furnished with a most excellent opening and ground to begin his much vaunted "leir fight." In all probability it will end up that the "bear fight" on the Governor's part was but a strategic state ment to secure himself in his office.

More American troops have now landed in France, and the little force that the U. S. has over there is quietly growing larger. Pretty soon there will be many a thousand sailing for France.

Baseball is being revived a great deal these days and Brackett is coming back again to the game, and the sport fans are rejoicing. Keep it up.

Clean up your yard! No matter what other work you may be doing, at odd minutes when there is nothing to do clean up a little.

We are now receiving on our exchange table the Eagle Pass Herald, and find it a nifty, newsy issue.

Getting ready for the big army; Kinney County has raised her share.

Question now is: Are you a soldier yet?

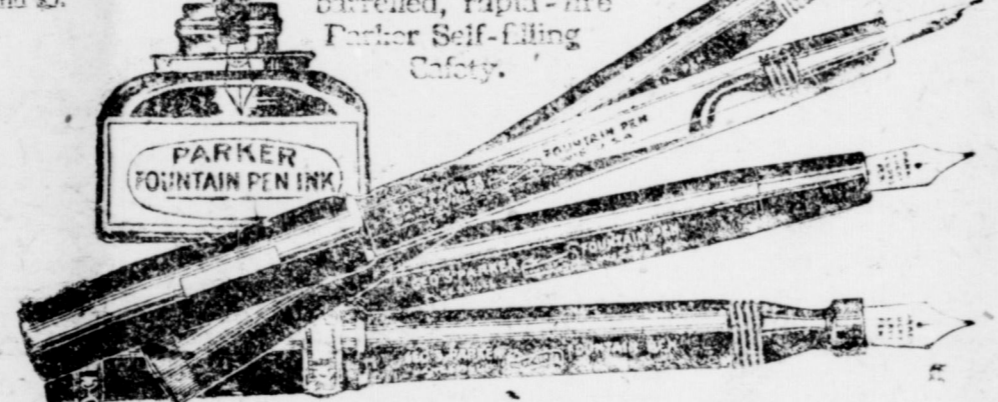


## A New Thing in Fountain Pens

**PARKER**  
SAFETY  
SELF-FILLER

NO slots or holes in the wall—the barrel is sealed—ink can't get out to flood your clothing—you can carry it in any position without danger of leaks. Active, red blooded men who believe in preparedness for the writing line, are always equipping themselves with the smooth-barreled, rapid-fire Parker Self-filling Safety.

See the new Parker Safety Self-Fillers—All sizes—\$2.50, \$3, \$4 and \$5.



FOR SALE BY

**Nipper Drug Company**

### Local News

Aaron Salmon of Spofford was a Brackett visitor Monday.

Rev. H. W. Bennett of Spofford was a Brackett visitor Tuesday morning.

G. C. Cox of Spofford and the Misses Salmon were Brackett visitors Monday night.

Tillman Hunt left Monday afternoon on a short business trip to San Antonio.

Miss Ethel Veltrmann has accepted a position with the Postmaster as Clerk.

The taste that lingers is the taste acquired and that satisfies by eating a Manhattan meal.

Queen of Saba, Henry George and Salinas cigars for sale at F. H. Fritter's.

The Gregorio Talamantes Store was entered last week and a small number of canned goods and tobacco taken.

The better times which were coming are the Manhattan times and place where you can get real, fresh and clean goods.

For keeping cool one can have a nice, cool drink or ice cream at the Manhattan, the place of cleanliness and service.

Men from all over the county were here this week following their summons to appear before the local exemption Board.

Bryan Hunt of Sonora was here the latter part of last week, and spent some time with his mother, Mrs. Mary Hunt.

About one hundred and fifty recruits for the Ambulance Company arrived here Monday afternoon and were taken to Fort Clark, where they will be used to form Companies. This number greatly increases the number of Ambulance Company at the Post, and makes it nearly a thousand in all.

Jimmie Ballantyne and John Conoly of Spofford were here Sunday and helped the locals in playing ball with the Post team.

A curio store has been opened up in the room formerly occupied by the Novelty Store, and contains a neat stock of novelties.

Fresh stock of good cigars at F. H. Fritter's.

A dance was held at Macie Saturday night at the School House, and a good crowd from here attended and had a merry time.

Frank Rose, Jr., and Alfred Rose motored to Del Rio Sunday morning, returning the same afternoon after a short visit to relatives in that city.

Joe Rose went up to Del Rio Sunday morning and returned Monday morning after having spent a pleasant day in that city the guest of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Goodner and son, who came here last week to conduct the Economy Cash Store, have returned to Del Rio, Mr. Hyman taking charge of the business.

Mrs. O. H. McAdams and baby and Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Davenport left Saturday for Sabinal. Mrs. McAdams and baby will visit with relatives there, remaining about a month.

Continued warm weather has been our lot the past few days, but, there is also a slight and cool breeze which at times blows in the say and always at night, rendering the nights delightful.

Whit Ellis is intending to fix up the interior of the City Meat Market and also to add an extra room to the rear of the present building. If he does as he is intending to, the place will look fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Burns of Del Rio were here Saturday and accompanied Mrs. Miller and son back home, after the latter two had been the guests for some time of Mr. and Mrs. John Gilder.

## BASE BALL

Benefit for the Q. M. Mess Fund. Turn Out and Help the Soldier Boys.

There will be a base ball game Sunday afternoon, starting at 2 P. M., between the Ambulance Company team and a team picked from the Q. M. Corps and Brackett. A lively and interesting game is expected, and everything is being done for the event, field sports being had after the ball game while an effort is being made to secure the 14th Cavalry Band for the occasion, the entire proceeds of this game going to the Mess Fund of the Q. M. Corps, whose funds were lost recently when the safe in the Commissary was robbed last Saturday night.

Captain Harry F. Wilson, who is very popular with the town people and garrison, and likewise is responsible for the stolen funds is at the head of this benefit, and every citizen of Brackett should turn out and help the soldier boys. Captain Wilson has always been and is a friend of Brackett and Kinney County, and he has done everything in his power to promote the best interests of Fort Clark, and therefore it is up to us to show that we appreciate his work and his friendship.

The game will begin at 2 P. M., as stated, the admission charged being 25 cents. A big crowd will be on hand, and be sure YOU are one of the crowd!

### For Sale

700 Mexican Stock Goats, in fine shape, \$3.40 per head; 375 Angora Nannies with extra fine kids, \$4.25 around.

Aug. Wipff, Del Rio, Texas.

### Farm Loan Meeting

The Brackettville National Farm Loan Association will have a meeting at the Courthouse at 5 o'clock P. M. Saturday, Aug. 11th, 1917.

R. V. Sauer, President.

Pay Day came the latter part of last week and business increased so much and is still going on that some of the business houses have had to put in extra help and keep open longer.

Be sure and read the new serial story which the News-Mail begins next week. It is of a father and son who were bridge builders, the father's failure and the sons sacrifice to his memory, and how he made good.

The Nipper Drug Company last week received a handsome pop-corn and peanut vending machine, which is one of the best ever seen here, being encased in glass and everything being strictly clean and sanitary.

Charles Reming has accepted a position as teller in the First State Bank, taking the position made vacant by the resignation of Ed Reamer. Charles took up his new duties at once, and is now busy learning the work.

Mr. Jos. Hyman who left his position with the Economy Cash Store here Saturday, returned here again Monday morning and has taken up work again at the store, the place having been vacated by Mr. Goodner. Our people are glad to see Mr. Hyman again with us.

The Star Theater on Saturday night showed a fine five reel Butterfly feature, "The Phantom's Secret," with Mignon Andersen, Hayward Mack and Molly Malone, was an unusually attractive and interesting picture and the audience enjoyed it greatly. It was a story which savors of the mysterious and at times approached the supernatural, but when all is said and done it is to be found that it was all natural.

## Fresh Ham & Sausage

Nice, fresh and at reasonable prices; fine for eating at any time. They ARE delicious!

Groceries and Fresh Bread

Give our goods a trial; we want your patronage.

**CITY BAKERY SHOP**

FRANK ROSE, JR., Prop.

Phone 101

## The City Meat Market

Handles the Choicest

Beef, Porks, Mutton, Veal and Goat

Full weight and honest treatment.

Prompt Delivery Phone 43. Trade Solicited.

Geo. W. Ellis, Proprietor.

## "LA PERLA"

A Delightful Beverage that is Non-Alcoholic: Served in ice Cold Bottles by

**J. C. CASTRO**

## The Davenport Garage

R. A. Davenport, Proprietor.

Best Garage service; all work guaranteed.

Portage and Puritan tires (5000 mile guarantee), tubes and accessories.

Phone 8 Opposite Postoffice

## Have You A Telephone

in your home? It is a necessity, not a luxury. When sickness comes, the few minutes may save a life. Why use your neighbor's phone when you can have one in at a little per month. Get one now!

Del Rio & Western Telephone Co.

## Automobile, Stage and Express Line

BETWEEN

**SPOFFORD and BRACKETT**

Feed and Livery Stable

HENRY VELTMANN, Proprietor.

## "BEVO"

A cool, non-intoxicating Cereal Beverage, thirst-quenching, nutritious, sold in ice cold bottles. Try one of these delicious 'BEVO' drinks for sale by

George Rivers

## Cool Off These Hot Days

with our Ice Cold Drinks and delicious Ice Cream - - We also serve clean appetizing meals.

**The Henze Cafe**

**HENRY VELTMANN, Sr.**

Death, the gentle end of all human sorrows, the triumph of the spirit infinite, cast his shadow over the home of one of our highly respected citizens, and there passed away from our midst H. J. Veltmann, Sr., one of the oldest settlers and citizens of Brackettville, and a man who during the life with us wrought but good and for the welfare of his fellow men. His was a life worth the living, a character to have, and the debt which that man paid to nature has increased in those who knew him and lived with him, a veneration for all the good the man had done, and all that he was to those who bear his name.

Born on June 21st, in the year 1835 at Lingen, Kingdom of Hanover, Germany, he lived in his native home and land for the space of eleven years, at which tender age, with his father, mother, two sisters and two brothers, he left the Fatherland, and at Galveston, Texas, caught the first glimpse of the promised land, the Home of the Free.

From Galveston his parents and the family moved to Port Lavaca, and from there later to Castroville, whence in 1847 they arrived in San Antonio, in the month of June.

It was in this city that when but 15 years of age he learned the Baker's trade, and on Alamo Street in 1860 established a large Bakery which he kept until the year 1877. On the twenty-third day of July, 1860, he was married in Saint Mary's Church to Anna Braden of San Antonio, Texas.

In company with his wife and four children which had been born to him, in July 1877 he moved to Brackettville, Texas, where he engaged in the bakery and general merchandise business, in partnership with Chris Miller.

In 1892 he again moved to San Antonio and lived there until 1896 when he came back to Brackettville where he was appointed Postmaster, on June 10, 1897, a position which he held for sixteen long years, and during which time he accomplished his duties in an able and conscientious manner, was courteous, and made many friends.

After this time he retired from all business and lived a quiet life in Brackettville with his daughter Mrs. James Ballantyne. In October, 1916, while on a visit to relatives in San Antonio he suffered a severe stroke of paralysis, from which he never recovered. He saw that the twilight of his life was approaching, yet feared not; for during the lengthy chain of years through which he had lived he had done his little part in his world and done it well, for he knew, like many another gone before, that the Angel of Death asked but of the good that had been sent before. So he died on July 31st, 1917, at 11:30 A. M. in Brackettville, Texas, at his daughter's home. The remains were taken to San Antonio for burial on that same day. The funeral took place from St. Joseph's Church, in San Antonio, on August 1st, at 10 A. M., and interment was made in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

He leaves one daughter, Mrs.

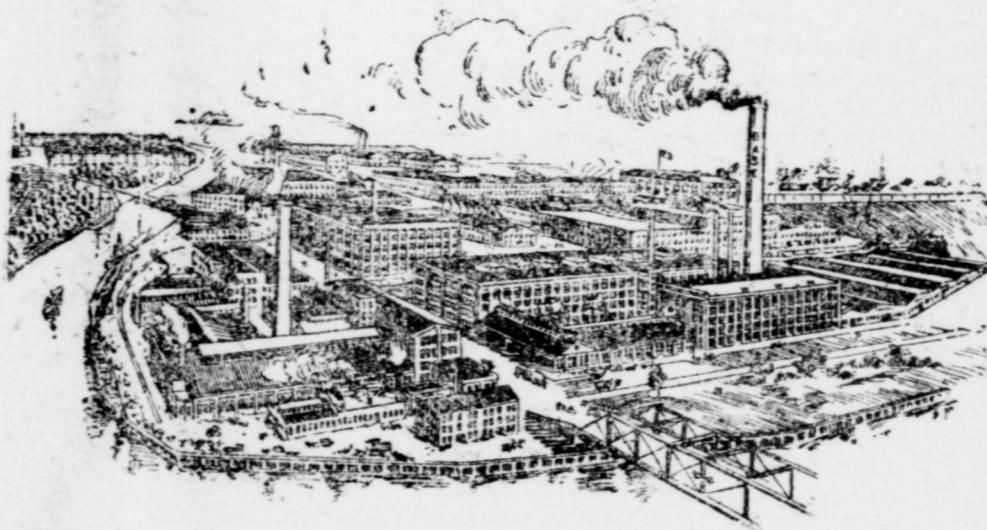
# Here Is YOUR Store

Our big Store with all of its departments replete with the best of everything to eat, to wear and use. If its something you need, no matter what it is, make your wants known to us---We have it

## Satisfaction Guaranteed

Come to us with that order, big or small, and will be treated right and you will feel satisfied as to the quality of our goods and their value. Our lines are complete:

HAY, GRAIN,  
GROCERIES  
FLOUR, CASE  
MACHINERY  
FLOUR, ETC.



# STRATTON & CO.,

Phone 44

Brackettville, Texas.

And be Convinced.

**Kinney County Valuations.**

Tax Assessor John H. Stadler has completed his Tax rolls, compiled in his usual neat attractive and efficient manner, and will turn these over to the Commissioner's Court when it comes into session next Monday.

Below is given the valuation of property in Kinney County:  
847,871 acres of land valued at \$2,106,154; Town lots, \$174,985; 1,979 horses and mules, \$46,675; 29,872 cattle, \$649,520; 8 jacks and Jennets, \$775; 27,154 Sheep, \$55,310; 28,435 goats, \$46,450; 102 hogs, \$230; 4 Dogs, \$100; Carriages, Buggies, Wagons, Automobiles, Bicycles, etc., \$18,524; Goods and Merchandise, 67,250; Mfg's Tools, etc, 3,600; Steam engines and boilers, \$600; Amt. of credits, other than banks, 21,000; Miscellaneous property, 16,460; State and National Banks, 55,900; Railroads assessed in miles, 496,700; Value of Rolling stock, 200,909; Intangible Assets, 987,275; Telegraph, telephone lines, assessed in miles, 17,000. Total valuation of property in Kinney County: \$4,965,417.00.

This assessment marks an increase of \$93,593 over last year in the value of the property, and shows that Kinney's prosperity is on the increase. The rolls, as made out by Mr. Stadler are easily understood, and present in a most clear and concise manner the condition of the County. Mr. Stadler knows and does his work well, and the County is to be congratulated on having a good assessor.

**New Meat Market.**

A new Meat Market came into existence here Monday morning, and is called the "Post Meat Market," the new business occupying the building and room formerly used by S. Noel while conducting his Fruit and Vegetable Market. The place has been practically renovated, cleaned and screened up, and everything made as sanitary and attractive as possible.

Mr. A. Hausman of Eagle Pass will manage the business, and is handling Beef, Pork, Veal, and all kinds of smoked meats, and stated that he intends to buy live stock, and keep a fresh and assorted supply of meat on hand for the accommodation of his customers.

Mr. Hausman, situated in a convenient place, and handling fresh and high grade meat, has opened up and is making an earnest effort to gain the good will of the people by dealing fair and square. His add is carried elsewhere in this issue.

**Ambulance Co. Gives Dance.**

The members of the Field Hospital and Ambulance Companies at Fort Clark last Friday night gave an invitation dance at the school house, it being well attended by members of the medical Corps and by town people. Those who had the affair in charge done everything possible to make the occasion as delightful as possible, and in this direction they were successful, as it was a most pleasing affair, well conducted and regulated, and all attending express themselves as having had a good sociable time.

Music was furnished by members of the Ambulance Company, and refreshments, consist of ices and lemonade were served. The Post boys done their best, and their efforts were so successful, that they will give another dance on Friday, the 17th.

James Ballantyne of Brackettville, four sons, Joseph, Henry and Willie of Brackettville and Arthur of San Antonio, two sisters, Mrs. Lena Michel of San Antonio, Texas, and Mrs. Minnie Holmes of Los Angeles, California, to mourn his loss.

Another has gone from us, to dwell with the blessed and those at rest, and as we all stand together and think of the man whose memory will ever shine bright, there recurs to us a beautiful thought expressed many years ago by one who understood this greatest of sorrows and yet of joys: "But the grave is not deep; it is the shining tread of an angel that seeks us. When the unknown hand throws the fatal dart at the end of man, then boweth he his head, and the dart only lifts the crown of thorns from his Wounds."

Mrs. H. E. Veltmann and children visited with the J. J. Foster and Scales families of Del Rio the latter part of last week.

**A Card of Thanks.**

We wish to extend to our many friends who assisted in laying away our dearly beloved father, and for the many beautiful floral offerings, our heartfelt thanks. We commend you to God who cares for all.

The Veltmann Family.

**Our New Serial.**

Mr. Cyrus Townsend Brady, who is the author of the News-Mail's new serial story, was educated at the United States Naval academy, but did not stay in the service. For several years he was engaged in railroad work in the middle West, and at the age of twenty-nine was ordained a priest of the Protestant Episcopal church. Eight years thereafter he wrote his first book, "For Love of Country," and in the last eighteen years has written nearly sixty stories of book length.

All have enjoyed considerable popularity, and at least one ("The Island of Regeneration") has been dramatized and produced as a big motion picture feature. Watch for it; it will begin in our next issue.

**Catarth Cannot Be Cured**

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. CATARRH is a local disease, greatly intensified by constitutional conditions, and in order to cure it you must take an internal remedy. Hall's Catarth Medicine is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. Hall's Catarth Medicine was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years. It is composed of some of the best tonics known, combined with some of the best blood purifiers. The perfect combination of the ingredients in Hall's Catarth Medicine is what produces such wonderful results in catarth conditions. Send for testimonials. **F. J. CHENEY, Dr., Prop., Toledo, O.** All Druggists sell this Preparation. **Hall's Family**

**The Guild Reading Rooms.**

For a long time the town has felt the need of a Public reading room, and while much discussed, the matter has never been taken up until now. The ladies of St. Andrew's Guild have taken the lead in establishing these reading rooms and the Masons have kindly given them the use of three of the rooms in their building. These rooms will furnish a place where everyone from the Post and town is welcome to come and read and write. While the ladies of the "Guild" are in charge, it is not a denominational, but a public institution, for the business men of the town largely provide the funds to make the rooms possible.

The rooms will be open from 4 to 9 P. M. and there will always be two ladies in charge, to insure perfect order, and yet make all feel at home and welcome.

These rooms will be formally opened Thursday evening August 9th, from 6 to 8 P. M., and the public is cordially invited.

**Trespass Notice.**

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on the ranch owned and controlled by the undersigned for the purpose of hunting, fishing, cutting wood or hunting hogs will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. There will be no permits issued to camping parties.

A. M. Slaton

**JEWELRY SHOP**

**W. S. NANCE**  
Watchmaking and repairing our specialty. Best goods at good prices. Try us once.  
In Post Office Bldg

**Richard Phillips.**

The remains of Richard Phillips, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Phillips, colored citizens of this city, were brought in Monday evening. Richard died on July 29th at Rockport, Illinois, by blood poisoning brought on by an accident in which a 2 by 4 plank fell on his hand, and which proved fatal. Interment was had Tuesday in the town cemetery.

Richard was but 18 years of age at the time of his death, and was well behaved. He was working in a factory in Illinois during his vacation, and was attending the Booker T. Washington School there, and was improving his time. The boy was of a quiet, studious nature, well liked and his death is regretted by the colored population as well as by many of our other citizens.

**Preaching Services.**

Sunday, August the 12th, at eleven o'clock, and at 8:15 there will be preaching at the Episcopal Church, this is the regular day for services of the Methodist Church and every one is very cordially invited to attend.  
Harold W. Bennett, Preacher.

**The Filippone Store**

Joseph J. Filippone

Groceries Hardware  
Dry Goods

Good quality and fair value. Phone 29

**Post Meat Market**

A. Hausman, Proprietor.

Keeps Fresh Beef, Pork, Veal, and Good Smoked Meats

Will Buy Your Live Stock

We Solicit a share of of your Patronage.

Courteous treatment, Prompt delivery.

Phone 101.

## PRODUCE MAN IS ENTHUSIASTIC NOW

Gwinn Declares Tanlac Saved Him From Complete Nervous Breakdown.

### GAINED THIRTY POUNDS

Tanlac Certainly Straightened Me Out and I Believe It Will Do the Same for Anyone Who Suffers Like I Did.

"I am confident that Tanlac saved me from a nervous breakdown," said C. B. Gwinn, a well-known produce dealer of Amory, Miss., "and I have gained thirty pounds since taking it."

"For a long time I had been in a general rundown condition," he continued, "and suffered terribly from rheumatism. My whole system seemed to be on the decline. I couldn't sleep at night and in the morning I would feel fagged out like I hadn't been to bed at all. I got so I couldn't eat anything without having serious trouble. I had violent headaches and my nervous system was all disordered. The rheumatism was so severe that my muscles seemed drawn up in knots, and I lost a good deal in weight."

"I was persuaded to try Tanlac and it has made me eat and sleep better than I have been able to in years. My rheumatism is all gone and I feel strong and built up in every way. I look on myself as a well man today, for Tanlac certainly straightened me out and I believe it will do the same for anyone else who suffers like I did."

There is a Tanlac Dealer in your town.—Adv.

#### His Experience.

She—In a battle of tongues a woman can hold her own.

He—Yes, perhaps she can, but she never does.

## AVOID MALARIA, CHILLS, FEVERS AND AGUE

by taking one BOND'S LIVER PILL occasionally. They keep the Liver and Bowels active and drive off the poisonous matter. 25c at ALL DRUGGISTS. Do not accept substitutes.—Adv.

## HE HIT BULL'S EYE THEN

Governor Cox of Ohio Explains Why His Marksmanship Improved Suddenly on Rifle Range.

James M. Cox, governor of Ohio, told this story when he visited Fort Benjamin Harrison, says the Indianapolis News:

"I was over at the fort this afternoon, and out at the rifle range Major Darrow asked me if I wouldn't like to try shooting. The men there were shooting from the 400-yard range, and I said 'yes,' so Major Darrow borrowed a rifle for me from one of the men and another for himself, and we lay down across the sand bags and began peppering away."

"After each shot that either of us made the man down in the pit waved the red flag that meant we had missed the target altogether."

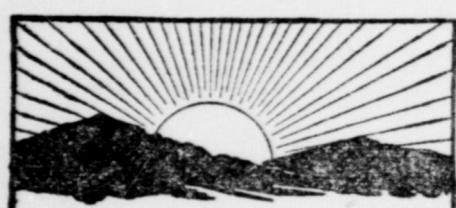
"Finally after about a half dozen shots apiece, the major said: 'Young man, telephone down to that man in the pit that Major Darrow is shooting,' and so the young man did, and then the major shot again, and the pit man waved the emblem that signified the major had hit the bull's-eye."

"Then I said to myself, 'um hum,' and so I turned to the man on my right and I said, 'Young man, telephone down to the pit man that the governor of Ohio is shooting, and then the next time I hit the bull's-eye, too.'"

#### Almost Good.

Ripp—What kind of a screen artist is he?

Rapp—He can draw anything but a salary, and make anything but a living.—Film Fun.



### A Perfect Day

should end—as well as begin—with a perfect food, say—

## Grape-Nuts with cream.

A crisp, delicious food, containing the entire nutriment of whole wheat and barley, including the vital mineral elements, so richly provided by Nature in these grains.

Every table should have its daily ration of Grape-Nuts.

"There's a Reason"



## THE WORLD OVER

INTERESTING ITEMS OF PRESENT IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS.

### EVERY ITEM A NEWS ITEM

Relating to the Latest Happenings of Interest Just now Throughout the World.

#### WASHINGTON NEWS.

In ruling by the postoffice department, postmasters are instructed not to ask for exemption of carriers or laborers, or for clerks in second-class offices, below the \$1,000 grade, clerks in first-class offices below the \$1,100 grade or any above these grades unless they are qualified distributors of mail. The ruling is the first formal action by an executive department in compliance with President Wilson's order directing that department officials indicate exemptions and that the requirement of indispensability be rigidly enforced.

Imperative need of ships in transatlantic service was disclosed this week in indications that the shipping board is preparing to commandeer all American tonnage and in an order by President Wilson which will cut off steel exports to Japan, unless Japanese vessels are diverted to war uses.

Roland S. Morris of Philadelphia was confirmed by the senate Wednesday as ambassador to Japan.

The administration food control bill, stripped of the features opposed by President Wilson, was reported out of conference Wednesday just one month after the date the president had hoped to see it enacted into law. Enactment some time next week now is predicted.

Every precaution should be taken by district exemption boards (the appeal bodies) to prevent discharge of men from the draft on sole grounds of material hardship to them individually or to their employers, said a circular on the duty of district boards issued Wednesday by Provost Marshal General Crowder.

A resolution for submission to the states of a prohibition amendment to the federal constitution was adopted Wednesday by the senate. The vote was 65 to 20, eight more than the necessary two-thirds. As adopted, the resolution contains a provision that the states must be asked to ratify the amendment within six years. The house still must act on the resolution.

The first step toward financing the second installment of the liberty loan was taken by the treasury Wednesday with the offering of \$300,000,000 in treasury certificates of indebtedness. It is the largest block of such certificates yet offered and the interest rate, 3½ per cent, is one-fourth of 1 per cent higher than the previous offering.

Revision of the war tax bill so as to increase its total from \$1,670,000,000 to above two billion dollars, mainly by additional levies on intoxicants and on personal and corporation incomes, was decided on Wednesday by the senate finance committee.

Hasty marriages made since July 20, the date of the army draft drawing, in an effort to escape service through the claim of a dependent wife, will not be considered ground for discharge unless the wife is actually dependent on the husband's daily labor, so state war department heads.

#### STATE AND DOMESTIC NEWS.

The heavy exodus of Mexican laborers from Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas through Laredo, Texas, to Mexico still continues.

The destruction of a German submarine by means of a bomb dropped from a battle plane after the U-boat had disclosed its presence by launching a torpedo at a large passenger ship was described by passengers on the vessel on arriving at an Atlantic port Friday.

Organized bands of negro tenant farmers and Indians whose purpose was to defeat the selective draft law in Oklahoma spread a reign of terror Friday through at least three counties in the central part of the state, partially destroyed two bridges, abandoned their crops, severed wire communications, planned raids on ranches and stores and threatened to burn all bridges in the districts.

Without any material changes, the Texas house of representatives Thursday adopted the resolution by Messrs. Fly et al providing for an investigation of the thirteen charges preferred Wednesday by Speaker F. O. Fuller against Governor James E. Ferguson, and such other charges as may be considered of sufficient importance.

The Producers Oil Company's No. 6, Isenhour, at Goose Creek, Texas, at a depth of 2,850 feet, came in Thursday making 3,000 barrels. Another new well in the same field that came in Thursday was No. 4 Paddock Smith at a depth of 3,000 feet, producing 1,000 barrels. Yount-Lee No. 1 Merchant, at Sour Lake, at a depth of 4,000 feet, also came in with a flow of 1,500 barrels.

The special called session of the thirty-fifth Texas legislature convened Wednesday at noon at Austin.

In the prohibition election last Monday Liberty county, Texas, went dry by twenty votes, 751 for prohibition, 731 against prohibition.

Frank Little, member of the executive board of the Industrial Workers of the World and prominent in labor troubles in Arizona, was taken from a lodging house Wednesday by masked men and hanged to a railroad trestle on the outskirts of Butte, Mont.

The heaviest rainfall for ten months in the Panhandle country of Texas was that of Wednesday, when the registration showed one and nine-tenths inches in less than an hour.

An order of temporary injunction was issued Tuesday by Judge George Calhoun of the fifty-third district court at Austin, Texas, restraining the board of managers of the Agricultural and Mechanical College and Controller H. B. Terrell "from doing anything or incurring any charge or expenses toward or for the location or building of the West Texas A. and M. College at Abilene until further orders of the court."

Approximately \$120,000 in loans have been made by the Federal Land Bank of Houston, Texas, during its existence, according to figures secured Wednesday for the close of July.

The state normal school board of regents, in session at Austin, Texas, Tuesday, elected presidents of the four new normal schools recently created by the thirty-fifth legislature as follows: R. B. Binlion, Austin; A. W. Birdwell, San Marcos; Thomas Fletcher, Austin; and J. A. Hill, Canyon.

The Texas-New Mexico zone for the recruiting of labor for national service has been made into three districts in Texas, which are Fort Worth, Galveston and El Paso.

#### FOREIGN NEWS.

It is reported that the vegetable crop in Germany is a great disappointment. A hurricane on Sunday last did great damage in the whole of Western Germany. Many buildings were destroyed, thousands of trees were uprooted, trees and garden produce everywhere suffered enormously.

On the northwestern frontier of Roumania the combined Russo-Roumanian forces are keeping up their advantage against the Austrians and Germans. In their smash at the enemy line between the Putna and Casin valleys they have penetrated it to a depth of from ten to twelve miles and captured ninety-eight guns and in the neighborhood of 4,500 prisoners.

The pink boll worm pest is increasing its activities in Mexico and in some sections the more important growers are realizing that they are facing a serious situation and are considering the question of abandoning cotton growing until the pest can be stamped out.

General Alexis A. Brusiloff, commander in chief of the Russian armies, has resigned. General L. G. Korniloff, commander in chief of the Russian armies on the southwestern front, has been appointed generalissimo.

German U-boat commanders are making effective use of the ruse of disguising their craft with sails to resemble trawlers during hazy weather.

With apparently no letup in the Russian retreat along the line from Tarnopol to the Roumanian border, there come advices of a new political crisis in Petrograd. Premier and War Minister Kerensky and his fellow cabinet members except one resigned, but later with the exception of M. Terentchenko, the foreign minister, withdrew their resignations.

The German advance in Galicia and Bukovina seemingly is aimed at Kamenitz Podolsky, a fortified city north of the Dniester and in the direction of Odessa, Russia's great port on the Black Sea.

A torrential rainfall has turned the battlefield in France into a veritable quagmire.

Forty thousand Greeks have been starved to death in Western Macedonia since the Bulgarian occupation began, according to authentic reports received by the Greek government at Athens.

Some falling off in the loss of British steamers to submarines is noted in the report issued this week in London. Eighteen British vessels of more than 1,500 tons were sunk by submarines or mines last week.

British casualties in all theaters of military operations published in the newspapers during the month of July total 71,832 officers and men.

Four hundred small children threatened with death by asphyxiating gas bombs dropped by enemy aviators were rescued Tuesday from a small French town near the firing line to a place of safety by the American Red Cross.

Another American contingent has safely arrived and disembarked in Europe. When tenders went alongside the vessel Friday the men were in high spirits and frequently shouted "Are we down-hearted?" Which was answered with a roaring "No" given with great enthusiasm.

A German submarine has sunk a gigantic elevator for the Montevideo, Uruguay, water works which was being towed from Rotterdam to Montevideo by a Dutch tug, which also was sunk.

## TEXAS NEWS

New cotton is coming in to gins throughout the Texas cotton belts.

The Hempstead watermelon season is practically over. The crop was short.

Approximately 1,000,000 acres of state school land will be thrown on the market on September 1.

The twenty-ninth annual reunion of Joe Johnson Camp No. 94 was held last week at their camp grounds at Mexia.

In the northeastern section of Texas and in most districts cotton is growing well, while picking is general in the southern part of the state.

Crosby received its first bale of cotton for the season of 1917 Saturday. The bale brought \$166.63, besides a premium of \$10 and free ginning.

The large lumber mill at Deweyville which was destroyed by fire recently will be replaced by two mills, one for the purpose of cutting pine and the other hardwoods.

The first bale of cotton was brought to New Uim Friday by Lee Krueger and sold for 25c a pound. It classed strict middling. A sack of flour was given as a premium.

Farmers of Washington county are building stock tanks to conserve the winter rains. Places adjacent to high hills are being dug and dumps are made to hold water.

A pumping plant is to be installed in the Donna (Texas) irrigation district that will irrigate the entire acreage in the district, about 30,000 acres, at a cost of \$200,000.

A sweet potato curing plant will be established at Elkhart by the farmers of that section, which is one of the biggest sweet potato producing sections of East Texas.

The attorney general's department has approved a \$20,000 bond issue of San Jacinto county road district No. 1, payable in forty years with five years' option and bearing 5½ per cent.

Matagorda county is at present the center of attraction in the development of wildcat oil wells, as rigs are now at work in the old Big Hill field, in the Wadsworth pasture, the Markham field and other scattered places.

Preparations have been made to move three motor truck trains from the motor truck group to the militia encampments at Waco and Houston. These motor truck trains will leave the Camp Travis cantonment at San Antonio this week.

Texas is not behind in the matter of girls' canning clubs. Nearly 6,000 girls of the State have joined these clubs and have learned from the demonstrators in charge of that work how to can and preserve all the fruits, vegetables and meats common to this state.

Employees of the Gulf Coast lines between New Orleans and Brownsville, Texas, are to receive a bonus of 6 to 10 per cent of their present salary. The bonus was effective July 1 and will be paid to all employees who have been in the employ of the road six months prior to July 1.

An army of between 2,000 and 3,000 workmen are fast turning more than 2,000 acres of land covered with brush and trees at the edge of Houston into a camp that by September 1 will be the home of 35,000 soldiers in training for service in France. It will be known as Camp Logan.

Brownsville will be practically dry, as far as licensed saloons are concerned, under President Wilson's proclamation prohibiting saloons within one-half mile of an army post. Fort Brown adjoins the business district and practically every saloon in the city is within three blocks of the post.

The biggest peanut crop East Texas has ever raised will be harvested this year. Anderson county alone will produce more than twice as much as ever before and the crop now is in fine shape with the best of prospects. Oil mills all over the county have added machinery to handle peanuts.

The bureau of entomology of the United States department of agriculture has decided to establish in Texas a station for combating diseases of pecans. The new station, which has not yet been located, will co-operate closely with the work of the school of agriculture and the experiment station at College Station. The investigations will deal with the pecan husk worm, the scale, the borer and the weevil.

The members of Camp Ben McCullough, United Confederate Veterans, held their twenty-first annual reunion last week near Driftwood, Kyle, Texas.

The banner bale of cotton was sold at Rosenberg Friday by J. C. Meyer, a farmer of that community. The bale weighed 700 pounds and was sold at 25.40 cents per pound and the seed at \$50 per ton, making a total of \$205, the highest price on record ever paid for a bale of cotton at Rosenberg.

## LEGISLATURE MEETS IN CALLED SESSION

CHARGES WERE FILED AGAINST GOVERNOR BY SPEAKER FULLER OF THE HOUSE.

### FLY RESOLUTION ADOPTED

It Provides for the Investigation of the Charges Against the Governor—Governor Ferguson Present.

Austin, Tex.—Speaker Fuller Friday appointed W. M. Fly of Gonzales to preside over the house sitting as a committee of the whole to investigate the impeachment charges against the governor. Fly was acceptable to both sides.

Fuller also appointed E. R. Bryan of Midland as lawyer to pass on the admissibility of evidence. The house decided on taking testimony Monday morning.

There was no session of either house Saturday, both having adjourned until Monday.

The senate elected Lon A. Smith of Henderson president pro tempore. After three days' effort the senate obtained a quorum Friday and finally organized by electing the officers of the last session with the exception of the assistants, whose places were abolished. Each senator was allowed a stenographer.

The senate Friday adopted a resolution requesting Texas members of congress to vote for the Sheppard prohibition amendment to the federal constitution. The vote was 12 to 9. It was the usual pro and anti lineup.

In place of Senator King the following substitutions were made on committees:

Finance—Woodward. Privileges and Elections—Hall. Rules—Decherd.

Before adjourning the senate passed its own mileage and per diem and contingent expense bills, each carrying \$125,000.

Senator Lon A. Smith of Rusk county was elected president pro temp of the senate for the current session.

Austin, Tex.—Without any material changes, the house of representatives Thursday adopted the resolution by Messrs. Fly et al providing for an investigation of the thirteen charges preferred Wednesday by Speaker F. O. Fuller against Governor James E. Ferguson, and such other charges as may be considered of sufficient importance. However, an amendment was inserted which gives the governor "reasonable time" within which to answer any testimony not included in the speaker's specifications. The resolution was adopted by a vote of 83 to 41.

Mr. Bagby made strenuous efforts to change the Fly resolution, but was unsuccessful. He offered a substitute, which was voted down. It provided for the election of a speaker pro tem by the house to preside during the sessions of the house as a committee of the whole in conducting the investigation. The part was referred to the rules committee, which gave it a favorable majority report, but the house tabled the report. Governor Ferguson was present when the house convened.

The senate, after being called in special session by Governor Ferguson Wednesday, was again Thursday with out a quorum. Two brief sessions were held, but the necessary number of members to transact business was not present, there being two short of a quorum and adjournment was taken until Friday. The usual senatorial caucus was held, resulting in the selection of officers of last session with the exception of certain "assistants." Each senator was allowed to name a clerk.

Austin, Tex.—Within fifteen minutes after the house had convened Wednesday, Speaker F. O. Fuller, on his own motion and under oath, filed charges against Governor James E. Ferguson, asking that they be investigated to determine whether or not the house will present a bill of impeachment to the state senate. Their introduction was immediately followed by a resolution by W. M. Fly of Gonzales, providing for an investigation of the charges made by Mr. Fuller in their broadest scope, and authorizing the employment of stenographers, summoning of witnesses and other acts necessary to get at the facts. It also stipulated that the investigation shall proceed before the whole house sitting as a committee of the whole. Thus opened the special call session of the thirty-fifth Texas legislature Wednesday at noon.

When the foregoing was disposed of, Leonard Tillotson offered a resolution to investigate the University of Texas and the official acts of Governor Ferguson in connection therewith. This resolution is concurrent and provides for a joint committee, four representatives and three senators.

Only five minutes were used by the senate. It had thirteen members present, namely, Alderdee, Buchanan of Bell, Bee, Caldwell, Clark, Deckerd, Hall, Harley, Lattimore, McNealus, Page, Parr and Woodward. There were seventeen absentees. One seat is vacant, that formerly held by S. M. King of Nacogdoches, appointed by the governor as associate justice of the Beaumont court of civil appeals since the adjournment of the last session. The senate adjourned until Thursday.

## MAMMOTH OIL GUSHER IN GOOSE CREEK FIELD

Well Makes Between 25,000 and 35,000 Barrels and Is Largest Gusher Field Has Produced.

Houston, Tex.—The Simms-Sinclair No. 11 Sweet, which came in Friday making 500 barrels, later developed into a well variously estimated from 25,000 to 35,000 barrels. Old timers who saw the well, men who were at Spindle Top in the days of the famous Lucas well, say that it is good for 35,000 barrels.

Saturday the well was under control, pouring thousands of barrels of oil into the flow tanks hastily thrown up for it. But about 11 o'clock in the morning it cut its connections and began running wild. There was a strong south breeze blowing and soon the spraying petroleum was drifting northward, oil covering the trees of the section north of the well, laying the dust on the roads and paths just as though a gentle shower had fallen.

The fires under the boilers in the Simms-Sinclair powerhouse nearby were at once extinguished and the fires under all boilers north of and in the immediate vicinity of the well.

The whole territory north of the well was soaked in petroleum. The land immediately around the well looks like a lake of oil. Men soaked to the skin with petroleum waded thigh deep in some places and lay the lines through which the oil is to be pumped into storage tanks. A levee has been thrown up to hold the oil and every effort that can be made to save the precious fluid is being undertaken. For it must be remembered that if the well is making 35,000 barrels of oil per day, it is producing at the rate of 1,560 barrels per hour, which, at \$1.35 per barrel—the latest price at which Goose Creek crude has been contracted—it is flowing better than \$33 worth of oil per minute, more than \$1,900 per hour, about \$42,250 per day, and more than \$1,400,000 per month—if it should hold up that long.

The well is 3,180 feet deep, and although it is not the first well to tap the 3,000 feet sand, it is by far the biggest, the second in size being the Gulf Production Company's No. 4 State land, which came in making 12,000 barrels last Sunday, and it is still holding up at that rate. The Gulf's well ran wild for a short time last Saturday, but is now under control.

#### Disturbance in Oklahoma Quelled.

Oklahoma City.—The first violence against the draft that broke out in Seminole county last week has been quelled by the sheriff and armed citizens, and most of the men concerned in the draft resistance movement are under arrest or fled from the county. About 100 men are in custody. The Frisco bridge at Francis, Okla., was dynamited and burned and traffic was halted. A mob, composed mostly of tenant farmers, many of them negroes, had marched toward Sahakwa, threatening to storm the hardware stores there for more arms. All members of the mob were heavily armed.

#### Can Control Salt Water.

Beaumont, Tex.—Oil companies involved in the controversy with rice farmers and canal companies using water from Pine Island report that they have solved the salt water problem for the time being, and the injunction hearing set down in the sixtieth district court for this week has been reset for Monday, August 20. At that time it is hoped that some definite solution of the salt water problem, as far as the Sour Lake and Saragosa oil fields are concerned, will be definitely settled.

#### Kerensky Again in Charge.

Petrograd.—Premier Kerensky has returned to Petrograd and withdrawn his resignation. He attended a ministerial meeting on Saturday evening and afterward conferred with various political leaders. M. Kerensky has issued a manifesto in which he declares he considers it impossible, when the country is threatened with defeat without and disintegration within, to refuse the heavy task again entrusted to him.

#### German Propagandist Arrested.

Denver, Colo.—Emil Itallener, arrested Saturday on telegraphic orders from the department of justice by federal officers, Sunday was found to have in his possession a letter commending him for having spread German propaganda as a representative of a New York German language newspaper.

#### New German Food Dictator.

Copenhagen.—Herr von Waldow, high bailiff of Pomerania, according to the Berlin Vossische Zeitung, has been designated as successor to Adolph von Batocki, president of the German food regulation board or "food dictator," as that post is commonly known.

#### Food Control Bill Enters Final Stage.

Washington.—Final enactment of the administration food control bill is the principal task ahead of congress this week. When this long-contested measure is out of the way the senate will begin debate on the \$2,900,000,000 war tax.

#### Fatal Mine Explosion.

Clay, Ky.—Over thirty men are dead and many were injured by an explosion Saturday in the south entry of No. 7 mine of the West Kentucky Coal Company.

# The Real Adventure

A NOVEL

By Henry Kitchell Webster

(Copyright 1916, The Bobbs-Merrill Company)

CHAPTER XXV—Continued.

It was a good while before Rose got the key to his preoccupation. They had turned into the park at Sixty-sixth street, and were half-way over to the Fifth avenue corner at Fifty-ninth, before he spoke out.

"On a day like this," he said, "to have sat there for two or three mortal hours arguing about stale ideas—when we might have been out here, being alive! But it must have seemed natural to you to hear me going on like that." And then with a burst, before she could speak:

"You must remember me as the most blindly opinionated fool in the world!" She caught her breath, then said very quietly, with a warm little laugh in her voice: "That's not how I remember you, Roddy."

She declined to help him when he tried to scramble back to the safe shores of conventional conversation. That sort of thing had lasted long enough. And when they stopped and faced each other in the gray brick entrance to the building where Rose's apartment was, it was at the end of a mile or more of absolutely unbroken silence. And facing each other there, all that was said between them was her:

"You'll come in, won't you?" and his "Yes."

But the gravity with which she'd uttered the invitation and the tenseness of his acceptance of it, the square look that passed between them, marked an end of something and the beginning of something new.

She left him in her sitting room while she went into her room to take off her hat and jacket and take a glance into her mirror. When she came back she found him standing at her window, looking out. He didn't turn when she came in, but almost immediately he began speaking. She went rather limp at the sound of his voice and dropped down on an ottoman in front of the fireplace, and squeezed her hands together between her knees.

"I don't know how much you will have understood," he began; "probably a good deal. What I hope you will have guessed is that I wouldn't have come except that I'd something to tell you—something I felt you were entitled to be told. But I felt—this is what you won't have understood—I felt that I hadn't any right to speak to you at all, about anything vital, until I'd given you some sort of guaranty until I'd shown you that I was a person it was possible to deal reasonably with."

She smiled, then pressed her hands suddenly to her eyes. "I understand," she said.

"Well then . . ." But he didn't at once go on. Stood there a while longer at the window, then crossed the room and brought up before her bookshelves, staring blindly at the titles. He hadn't looked at her even as he crossed the room.

"Oh, it's a presumptuous thing to try to say," he broke out at last, "a pitifully unnecessary thing to say, because you must know it without my telling you. But when you went away you said—you said it was because you hadn't my—friendship! You said that was the thing you wanted, and that you were going to try and earn it. And you told me that I'd never be able to see that the thing you were doing there was a fine thing, worth doing, entitled to my respect. But what I've come down here to say is—is that now, at last—I do see it."

She would have spoken then if she could have commanded her voice, and as it was, the sound she made conveyed her intention to him, for he turned upon her quickly as if to interrupt the unspoken words, and went on with an almost savage bitterness:

"Oh, I'm under no illusions about it. I had my chance to see, when seeing would have meant something to you—helped you. When anyone but the blindest sort of fool would have seen, I didn't. Now, when the thing is patent for the world to see—now that you've won your fight without any help from me . . . Without any help! In spite of every hindrance that my idiocy could put in your way! Now, after all—I came and tell you that you've earned the thing you've set out to get."

There was a little silence after that. She got up and took the post he had abandoned at the window.

"Why did you do it, Roddy?" she asked. "I mean, why did you want to come and tell me?"

"Why, in the first place," he said, "I wanted to get back a little of my self-respect. I couldn't get that until I'd told you."

"This time the silence was longer. "What else did you want?" she asked. "What—in the second place?"

"I want to earn your friendship. It's the biggest thing I can hope for. But I've no idea that you can hand it out to me ready-made. I believe you'd do it if you could. But you said once, yourself, that it wasn't a thing that could be given. It was a

thing that had to be earned. And you were right about that, as you were about so many other things. Well, I'm going to try to earn it."

"Is that—all you want?" she asked, and then, hearing the little gasp he gave, she swung around quickly and looked at him. It was pretty dark in the room, but his face in the dusk seemed to have whitened.

"Is friendship all you want of me, Roddy?" she asked again. She stood there waiting, a full minute, in silence. Then she said: "You don't have to tell me that. Because I know. Oh—oh, my dear, how well I know!"

He didn't come to her; just stood there, gripping the corner of her bookcase and staring at her silhouette, which was about all he could see of her against the window. At last he said, in a strained, dry voice she'd hardly have known for his:

"If you know that—if I've let you see that—then I've done just about the last despicable thing there was left for me to do. I've come down here and—made you feel sorry for me. So that with that—divine kindness of yours, you're willing to give me—everything."

He straightened up and came a step nearer. "Well, I won't have it, I tell you. I don't know how you guessed, if I'd dreamed I was betraying that to you . . . Don't I know—it's burnt into me so that I'll never forget—what the memory of my love must be to you? The memory of the hideous things it's done to you? And now, after all that—after you've won your fight—alone—and stand where you stand now—for me to come begging! And take a gift like that! I tell you it is pity. It can't be anything else."

There was another minute of silence, and then he heard her make a little noise in her throat, a noise that would have been a sob had there not been something like a laugh in it. The next moment she said, "Come over here, Roddy," and as he hesitated, as if he hadn't understood, she added: "I want you to look at me. Over here, where there's light enough to see me by."

He came, wondering, very slowly, but at last with her outstretched hand she reached him and drew him around between her and the window.

"Look into my face," she commanded. "Look into my eyes—as far in as you can. Oh, my dearest—" the sob of pure joy came again—"is it pity that you see? Don't you understand?"

He did understand it with his mind, but he was a little dazed, like one who has stood too near where the lightning struck. The hope he had kept buried alive so long—buried alive because it wouldn't die—could not be brought out into a blinding glory like this without pain—exquisite, terrifying pain.

The knowledge she had acquired by her own suffering stood her in good stead now. She did not mistake, as the Rose he had married might have done, the weakness of his response for coldness—indifference. She led him over to her one big chair and made him sit down in it, settled herself upon the arm of it, and contented herself with one of his hands. Presently he took one of hers, bent his face down over it, and brushed the back of it with his lips.

The timidity of that caress, with all it revealed to her, was too much for her. She swallowed one sob, and another, but the next one got away from her and she broke out in a passionate fit of weeping. That roused him from his daze a little, and he pulled her down in his arms—held her tight—comforted her. When she got herself in hand again, she got up, went away to wash her face, and, coming back in the room again, lighted a reading lamp and drew down the blinds.

"Rose," he said presently, "what are we going to do?"

"Shall we make it a real honeymoon, Roddy—make it as complete as we can? Forget everything and let all the world be . . ."

He supplied the word for her, "Rose-color?"

She accepted it with a little laugh . . . "for a while."

"That's what I was fumbling for," he said, "but I can't think very straight tonight. I've got it now, though. That cottage we had—before the twins were born—down on the Cape. There won't be a soul there this time of year. We'd have the world to ourselves."

"Yes," she said, "for a little while, we'd want it like that. But after a while—after a day or two, could we have the babies? Could the nurse bring them on to me and then go straight back, so that I could have them, and you, all together?"

He said, "You darling!" But he couldn't manage more than that.

At the entrance and just out of range of the elevator man, he kissed her good night.

"But will you telephone to me as soon as you wake up in the morning, so that I'll know it's true?"

She nodded. Then her eyes went wide and she dug to him, "Is it true, Roddy? Is it possible for a thing to come back like that? Are we really the old Rodney and Rose, planning our honeymoon again? It wasn't quite three years ago, was it like that?"

"Not like that, perhaps," he said, "exactly. It will be better by all we've learned and suffered since."

## CHAPTER XXVI.

### The Beginning.

There was a sense in which this prediction of Rodney's about their honeymoon was altogether true. They had great hours—hours of an emotional intensity greater than any they had known during that former honeymoon, greater by all they had learned and suffered since—hours that repaid all that suffering, and could not have

been captured at any smaller price. But life, of course, cannot be made up of hours like that. No sane person can even want to live in a perpetual ecstasy. What makes a mountain peak is the fall away into the surrounding valleys.

In their valleys of commonplace, everyday existence—and these occurred even in their first days together—they were stiff, shy, self-conscious with each other. And their attempt to ignore this fact only made the self-consciousness the worse. It troubled and bewildered both of them.

The arrival of the twins, in the convoy of a badly flustered—and, to tell the truth, a somewhat scandalized—Miss French, simplified the situation somewhat—by complicating it! They absolutely enforced a routine. And they gave Rose and Rodney so many occupations that the contemplation of their complicated states of mind was much abridged.

But even her babies brought Rose a disappointment along with them. From the time of the receipt of Miss French's telegram, telling them what train she and the twins would take, Rose had been telling off the hours in mounting excitement. The two utterly adorable little creatures, as the pictures of them in Rodney's pocket-book showed them to be, were miraculously, incredibly hers, were coming to bring motherhood to her—

She didn't go to Boston with Rodney to meet them; stayed behind in the cottage, ostensibly to see to it up to the very last minute, that the fires were right (June had come in cold and rainy) and, in general, to be ready, on the moment, to produce anything that their rather unforeseeable needs might call for. Her real reason was a shrieking from having her first meeting with them in the confusion of arrival on a station platform, under the eyes of the world. Rodney understood this well enough, and, arriving at the cottage, he clambered out of the wagon with them and carried them both straight in to Rose, leaving the nurse and the bewildering paraphernalia of travel for a second trip.

Rose, in the passionate surge of gratified desire that came with the sight of them, caught them from him, crushed them up against her breast—and frightened them half to death. So that, without dissimulation, they howled and brought Miss French flying to the rescue.

Rose didn't make a tragedy of it; managed a smile at herself, though she suspected she'd cry when she got the chance, and subjected her ideas to an instantaneous revision. They were persons, those two funny little, white little mites, with their own ideas, their own preferences, and the perfectly adequate conviction of being entitled to them. How would she herself have liked it, to have a total stranger, fifteen feet high or so, snatch her like that?

She was rather apologetic all day, and got her reward, especially from the boy, who was an adventurous and rather truculent baby, much, she fancied, as his father must once have been, and who took to her more quickly than the girl did. Indeed, the second Rodney fell in love with her almost as promptly as his father had done before him. But little Portia wasn't very far behind. Two days sufficed for the conquest of the pair of them.

The really disquieting discovery awaited the time when the wire edge of novelty about this adventure in motherhood had worn off; when she could bathe them, dress them, feed them their very, strictly regimented meals, without being spurred to the highest pitch of alertness by the fear of making a mistake—forgetting something like the juice of a half-orange at ten o'clock in the morning, the omission of which might have—who knew what disastrous consequences!

That attitude can't last any woman long, and Rose, with her wonderfully clever hands, her wits trained not to be told the same thing twice, her pride keeping in sharp focus the determination that Rodney should see that she could be as good a nurse as Miss French—Rose wore off of that nervous tension over her new job very quickly. Within a week she had a routine established that was noiseless—frictionless.

But, do you remember how agitated she was over the few weeks John Galbraith had talked about as the probable run of "The Girl Up-Stairs," her consternation over the idea of just going on doing the same thing over and over again, "around and around, like a horse at the end of a pole?"

Well, it was with something the same feeling of consternation that, having thrown herself heart and soul into the task of planning and setting in motion a routine for two year-and-a-half babies, she should find herself straightening up and saying: "What next?" and realizing that, so far as this job was concerned, there was no "next." The supreme merit of her care from now on would be—barring emergencies—the placid continuation of that routine. There were no heroes about motherhood—save in emergency, once more.

It was a fine relation. It was, perhaps, the very finest in the world. But as a job, it wasn't so satisfactory. Four-fifths of it, anyway, could be done with better results, for the children, by a placid, unimaginative, tolerably stupid person who had no stronger feeling for them than the mild, temporary affection they could excite in anyone not a monster. And the other fifth of it wasn't a job at all.

On the whole, then, leaving their miraculous hours out of the account, their honeymoon, considered as an attempt to revisit Arcady, to seize a

golden day which looked neither to the future, complete in itself, perfect—was a failure.

It was not until, pretty ruefully, they acknowledged this, tore up their artificial resolution not to look at the future, and deliberately set themselves to the contemplation of a life that would have to take into account complex and baffling considerations, that their honeymoon became a success. It was well along in their month that this happened.

Rose had spent a maddening sort of day, a day that had been all edges, trying not to let herself feel hurt over fantastic secondary meanings which it was possible to attach to some of the things Rodney had said, trying to be cheerful and sensible, and to ignore the patent fact that his cheerfulness was as forced and unnatural a thing as hers. The children—as a rule the best-beloved little things in the world—had been refractory. So, after their supper, when they'd finally gone off to sleep, and Rose had rejoined Rodney in the sitting room, she was in a state where it did not take much to set her off.

It was not much that did; nothing more, indeed, than the fact that she found her husband brooding in front of the fire, and that the smile with which he greeted her was a little too quick and bright and mechanical, and that it soon faded out. The Rodney of her memories had never done things like that. If you found him sitting in a chair, you found him reading a book. When he was thinking something out he tramped back and forth, twisted his face up, made gestures. That habit couldn't have changed. It was just that he didn't care to be natural with her! Couldn't feel at home with her! Before she knew it, she was crying.

He asked, in consternation, what the matter was.

"Nothing," she said. "Absolutely nothing. Really."

"Then it's just—that you're not happy with me, like this." He brought that out gravely, a word at a time, as though they hurt.

"Are you happy, with me—like this?" she countered.

It was a question he could not answer categorically, and she did not give him time for anything else. "What's the matter with us, Roddy?" she demanded. "We ought to be happy. We meant to be." Her voice broke in a sob over that. "And here we are—like this!"

"It hasn't all been like this," he said. "There have been hours, a day or two, that I'd go through the whole thing for, again, if necessary."

She nodded assent to that. "But the rest of the time?" she cried. "Why can't we be—comfortable together? Why . . . Roddy, why can't you be natural with me? Like your old self. Why don't you roar at me, any more? And swear when you run into things? I've never seen you formal before—not with anybody. Not even with strangers. And now you're formal with me."

The rueful grin with which he acknowledged the truth of this indictment was more like him, and it cheered her immensely. She answered it with one of her own, dried her eyes, and asked again, more collectedly:

"Well, can you tell me why?"

"Why, it seemed to me," he said, "that it was you who were different. And you have changed, of course, down inside more than I have, you've been through things in the last year and a half, found out things that I know nothing about, except as I have read about them in books. So, when I remember how things used to be between us, how I used to be the one who knew things, and how I preached and spouted, I get to feeling that the man you remember must look to you now, like—well, like a schoolboy showing off."

She stared at him incredulously. "But that's downright morbid," she said. "It's horrible that I should make you feel like that." She concluded.

"It isn't you," he told her. "It's just the situation. I can't help feeling that I'm taken on approval. Oh, it's good to be like that! There are things that, with all the forgiveness in the world, you can't forget. And until you have seen that I'm different, that I have made myself different. . . ."

She gave a shaky laugh. "On approval!" Her eyes filled again. "Roddy, you can't mean that." She came over and sat down in his lap, and slid her arm around his neck. "This is where we'll begin," she said. "That I'll never—whatever happens—walk out on you again. Whether things go well or badly with us, we'll work it out, somehow, together."

It was not until she heard the long, shuddering sigh he drew at that, and felt him go limp under her, that she realized how genuine his fear had been—the perfectly preposterous fear that if their new experiment didn't come up to her anticipation, she'd tell him so, and leave him once more. This time, for good.

It was a good while before they took up a rational discussion again, but at last she said: "It will take working out, though. We've been shirking that. Hadn't we better begin?"

"Well," he said when he'd got his pipe alight, "it's the first question I asked you after—I got my eyes open: 'What are we going to do?'"

"I told Alice Perosini," she said, "the day before we left to come up here, that I'd come back in a month, and that I'd stay until I'd finished all the work that we were contracted for. I felt I had to do that. You understand, don't you?"

"Of course," he said. "You couldn't consider anything else. But then what?"

"Then," she said after a little silence, "then, if it's what you want me to do, Roddy, I'll come back to Chicago for good."

"Give up your business, you mean?" he asked quickly.

She nodded. "It can't be done out there," she said. "All the big productions that there's any money in are made in New York. I'll come back and just be your wife. I'll keep your house and mother the children, and—maintain your status, if you don't think I'm spoiled for that."

That last phrase, though, was said with a smile, which he answered with one of his own. But with an instant return to seriousness, he said: "I've not asked that, Rose. I wouldn't dream of asking it."

"There's a real job there," she persisted, "just in being successfully the wife of a successful man. I can see that now. I never saw it when it was my job. Hardly caught a glimpse of it. I didn't even see my bills; let you pay them down at the office, with all your own work that you had to do."

"It wasn't me," he said. "It was Miss Beach."

She stared at that and gave a short laugh. "If I'd known that . . ." she said. Then she came back to the point. "It is a real job, and I think I could learn to do it pretty well. And of course a wife's the only person who can do it properly."

Still he shook his head. But he hadn't, as yet, any reasoned answer to make, except as before, that it wouldn't work.

"What will work, then?" she asked. And this he couldn't answer.

"We've just got to go ahead," he said at last, "and see what happens. Perhaps you can work it out so that you can do part of your work at home. We could move the nursery and give you Florence's old studio. And then it would do if you only came down here for your two big seasons—fall and spring."

"That doesn't seem fair to you," she protested. "You deserve a real wife, Roddy; not somebody dashing in and dashing out."

"I don't deserve anything I can't get," he said. "I'd rather have a part interest in you than to possess, lock, stock and barrel, any other woman I can think of."

She came back to him again and settled in his arms. "A man told me," she said, "John Galbraith told me that he couldn't be a woman's friend and her lover at the same time, any more than a steel spring could be made soft so that it would bend in your fingers, like copper, and still be a spring. He said that was true of him, anyway, and he felt sure it was true of nine men out of a dozen. Do you think it's true? Have we got to decide which we'll be?"

"We can't decide," he said with an impatient laugh. "That's just what I've been telling you. We've got to take what we can get. We've got to work out the relation between ourselves that is our relation—the Rose and Rodney relation. It'll probably be a little different from any other. There'll be friendship in it, and there'll be love in it. Imagine our 'deciding' that we wouldn't be lovers! But I guess that what Galbraith said was true to this extent: that each of those will be more or less at the expense of the other. It won't spring quite so well, and it will bend a little."

After a while he said: "Where's what we've got to build on: whatever else it may or may not be, this relation between us is a permanent thing. We've lived with each other and without each other, and we know which we want. If we find it has its limitations and drawbacks, we needn't worry. Just go ahead and make the best of it we can. There's no law that decrees we've got to be happy. When we are happy it'll be so much to the good. And when we aren't . . ."

She gave a contented little laugh and cuddled closer down against him. "You talk like Solomon in all his solemnity," she said. "But you can't imagine that we're going to be unhappy, really?"

His answer was that perhaps he couldn't imagine it, but that he knew it, just the same. "Even an ordinary marriage isn't any too easy; a marriage, I mean, where it's quite well understood which of the parties to it shall always submit to the other, and which of them is the important one who's always to have the right of way. There's generally something perfectly unescapable that decides that question. But with us there isn't. So the question who's got to give in will have to be decided on its merits every time a difference arises." She burst out a look of extreme apprehension. She was deeply and utterly content with life just then. But he wouldn't be diverted. "There's another reason," he went on. "I've a notion that the thing we're after is about the finest thing there is. If that's so, we'll have to pay for it in one way or another. But we aren't going to worry about it. We'll just go ahead—and see what happens."

"Do you remember when you said that before?" asked Rose. "You told me that marriage was an adventure anyway, and that the only thing to do was to try it—and see what happens?"

He granted. "The real adventure's just begun," he said.

"Anyhow," she murmured drowsily, "you can talk to me again. Just as if we weren't married."

And there is just about where they stand today—at the beginning, or hardly past the beginning, of what he spoke of as their real adventure; they are going forward prepared to make the best of it and see what happens.

THE END.

Electric tanning machinery is needed in Spain.



University of Notre Dame  
NOTRE DAME, INDIANA  
Offers Complete Course in Agriculture  
Full courses also in Letters, Journalism, Library Science, Chemistry, Pharmacy, Medicine, Architecture, Commerce and Law.  
A desire to mind one's own business is eminently worth acquiring.

## Lemons Whiten the Skin Beautifully! Make Cheap Lotion



The juice of two fresh lemons strained into a bottle containing three ounces of orchard white makes a whole quart pint of the most remarkable lemon skin beautifier at about the cost one must pay for a small jar of the ordinary cold creams. Care should be taken to strain the lemon juice through a fine cloth so no lemon pulp gets in, then this lotion will keep fresh for months. Every woman knows that lemon juice is used to bleach and remove such blemishes as freckles, sallowness and tan, and is the ideal skin softener, smoothener and beautifier.  
Just try it! Make up a quart pint of this sweetly fragrant lemon lotion and massage it daily into the face, neck, arms and hands. It should naturally help to whiten, soften, freshen, and bring out the hidden roses and beauty of any skin. It is wonderful for rough, red hands.  
Your druggist will sell three ounces of orchard white at little cost, and any grocer will supply the lemons. Adv.  
Unwritten poems and unprinted songs make life endurable.

## BABIES AND GROWING CHILDREN

need a tonic to tone up the system and regulate the liver. Mothers are constantly using with wonderful success, our "Plantation" Chill and Fever Tonic. Pleasant to take—contains no Calomel. Price 50c.—Adv.

## A Jungle Joke.

First Monk—My brother went to America and secured a position as cashier.  
Second Monk—A cashier to what?  
First Monk—To an organ grinder.

## Try This on Chiggers.

Collodion is said to give relief from the irritation caused by the bites of chiggers. Collodion is a solution of gun cotton in alcohol and ether. When it is applied to the skin, the alcohol and ether evaporate, leaving a colorless film which adheres to the skin. An application of collodion is excellent treatment for hang nails. The bottle should be kept tightly corked.

## She Knew What to Take.

Five-year-old Mary, who is always anxious to be in everything that goes on, lives in a small town where the long-suffering minister still endures donation parties, to make up his back salary. Just before the last one she begged eagerly:  
"Can't I take something, too, mummy?"  
"No; your father and I take something, that will be plenty."  
But the child could not bear to give up the idea, so she ransacked the whole house for something suitable. Finally she appeared before her mother with a worn and faded dress of her own.  
"Please, mummy, can't I take this? See, it's not a speck of good for anything," she urged.—Christian Herald.







# PIONEER FLOUR

**Better Than Ever**

Makes a larger loaf. Unbleached; no Chemicals. Always on sale at

**PETERSEN & CO.**

backed by 66 years experience in the Milling Business.

**PIONEER FLOUR MILLS.**

### County Fixing Road.

Last week we mentioned portions of roads that the County was having repaired. This week noting that further work and progress is being done in this direction, we take the opportunity of mentioning several other bad portions of roads which have been worked on and fixed. The worst piece of road in town, directly in front of the Court House itself has at last been fixed, and the cut-side road which automobile drivers had of necessity made is now being discontinued in favor of the stretch which was fixed. The recent rain made this road impassible, as it washed out deep gullies and ditches. Dirt has been placed over this and is being packed. Main street and Ann street have received some work also.

We have been told by Automobile drivers, not only from this County and Del Rio, but others going through, that now, since these bad stretches in town have been fixed, the stretch of road near the Holmes' Ranch hill is the worst in the entire County, and that it is rocky and almost impassible, owing to its roughness and ruts and wornout portions which make travelling rather risky. This portion, and we have travelled over it ourselves, we know to be bad, but as we are told that it is much worse than it ever was before now, we feel that efforts should be taken soon to fix it. Kinney can do much for her roads, and by fixing the road on this hill she will be doing not only a good thing for herself but for the people and those who travel over it.

Credit must be given for what has been and is being done at present on the roads, but we must look out for the bad places, too.

### Milk For Sale.

Jersey Milk, put up in Sanitary bottles at ten cents a quart. All orders delivered promptly, morning or night. Your patronage solicited.

Geo. A. Bless.

Advertise in the News.

### Notice To Creditors

To all persons having claims against the Estate of J. J. Young, Deceased:

The undersigned having been appointed Administrator of the Estate of J. J. Young, Deceased, late of Kinney County, Texas, by the Hon. Jos. Veltmann, Judge of the County Court of said County, on the 10th day of July, 1917, at a regular term of said Court, and having qualified as such, hereby notifies all persons having claims against said estate to present them to him within the time prescribed by law.

His residence is at the J. J. Young Ranch in Kinney County, Texas, and his Post Office is Del Rio, Texas, in care of Judge Walter Gillis.

All claims presented to Judge Walter Gillis, whose Post Office is Del Rio, Texas, and who is the attorney for said Administrator will receive proper attention.

This, the 20th day of July, 1917.

J. R. Young,  
Administrator of the Estate of J. J. Young, Deceased.

### Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on the ranch known as the Mariposa ranch for the purpose of hunting, fishing or cutting wood will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. All permits previously issued, either verbal or written are hereby revoked.

G. Davidson.

### Trespass Notice.

Hunting, fishing, camping, wood-hauling, or otherwise trespassing on the Silver Lake ranch will henceforth be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Silver Lake Land and Cattle Co.  
4m. By J. M. Patton, Pres.

### FRANK LANE

ATTORNEY AT LAW

Stock Shipment Claims a Speciality.

Office in Court House.

### Spofford Train Schedule

SOUTHERN PACIFIC MAIN LINE

#### WEST BOUND

No. 7.....3:55 P. M.

No. 9.....1:27 A. M.

#### EAST BOUND

No. 8.....6:40 A. M.

No. 10.....3:55 P. M.

#### EAGLE PASS BRANCH

##### NORTH BOUND

No. 226.....3:20 P. M.

No. 228.....12:20 A. M.

##### SOUTH BOUND

No. 225.....4:10 P. M.

No. 227.....6:40 A. M.

### Posted.

All my lands in this county, bordering town and the Pinto, are posted against fishing, camping, hunting, wood-hauling, or otherwise trespassing, offenders to be prosecuted according to law.  
W. G. Lackey.

### A Texas Beverage

That Merits Your Support

# "La Perla"

The drink that satisfies  
Non-Alcoholic  
Non-Intoxicating

It has the Snap,  
The Sparkle,  
The Flavor

Wholesome,  
Pure,  
Healthful,

A delightful  
Surprise awaits  
you when you  
try LA PERLA  
the drink that  
satisfies  
Everybody's

Choice

Made and Bottled by  
**SAN ANTONIO  
BREWING  
ASS'N**  
**OF Seargeant  
DISTRIBUTOR**

### SOCIETIES



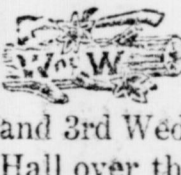
Las Moras Lodge No 444 A. F. & M. meets first and 3rd Monday every month in Masonic Hall in the Old Court House. A cordial invitation to all visiting Brethren. T. J. Martin Worshipful Master: Will W. Price Secretary.



The Brackettville Chapter No. 60 Order of The Eastern Star meets on the first and Third Tuesdays of each month at 8. p. m. Visiting members are cordially invited. Mrs. Maud Hodges, W. M. Will W. Price, Secretary.



Echo Lodge No. 279 I. O. O. F. meets every Thursday night at their Lodge room in Filippone Hall. Visiting Brethren cordially invited to attend. A. A. Bitter, Noble Grand; Will W. Price, Secretary.



Rosewood Camp No 128 W. O. W. meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday night in their Hall over the Post Office Visiting Sovereigns invited to attend. Henry Zinsmeister, C. C. Ernest Rose Clerk.



Las Moras Camp No. 2383 W. O. W. meets every Monday night in the G. A. R. Hall. Visiting Sovereigns invited to attend. J. F. Rivas, C. C. O. B. Castro Clerk.

HERMAN SONS LODGE, 267 meets the first Sunday in each month at 2 p.m. at their Hall in Macie, Texas. All visiting members have a cordial invitation to meet with us.

H. E. Zinsmeister, President; Sedan Brien, Secretary.

### CITY BARBER SHOP.

Haircuts in the latest styles. Everything up to date. Courteous treatment to all. Agents for White Star Laundry & Opposite News Office.

WILL DOOLEY, Proprietor

## Barksdale's Barber Shop

Sharp Razors  
Clean Towels

Good Workmanship  
MAHDEEN HAIR TONIC  
\$1.00 per Bottle.

EXCLUSIVE AGENT FOR

The Royal Tailors

Your Patronage Will Be Appreciated.

Ed. Weaver Barber.  
Opposite Petersen & Co.

# War News

Read San Antonio Express

for the most complete, truthful and first hand reports of the

## U. S.-German Trouble

Keep informed; be in touch.

You can get the paper every eve at 5 p. m. at News Office

## THE News-Mail Office

Is thoroughly equipped with new and up-to-date job type and stationery,

## JOB PRINTING

PROMPTLY DONE

Let us have your next order and we will give you first class work at reasonable prices. We know how to do job printing of all kinds and have the material to do nice work. All work guaranteed.

## The News-Mail

One Year

For \$2.00

Only Newspaper published in Kinney County, always in the boosting spirit for it's people and it's interest.  
SUBSCRIBE TODAY.

A GOOD AND NEAT READING PAPER.

BRACKETTVILLE, TEXAS

News-Mail Want Ads Are Sure Result Bringers: Follow the Lead And--Advertise

Plenty of entertainment in spite of bad weather.

Cold nights and wintry weather you'll be particularly glad you have a

**Victrola**

No need to go outside your own home for entertainment—the best music and fun that any one could wish.

Stop in any time and we'll gladly play your favorite music for you, and explain our system of easy terms.



Geo. Herzog, Agent.